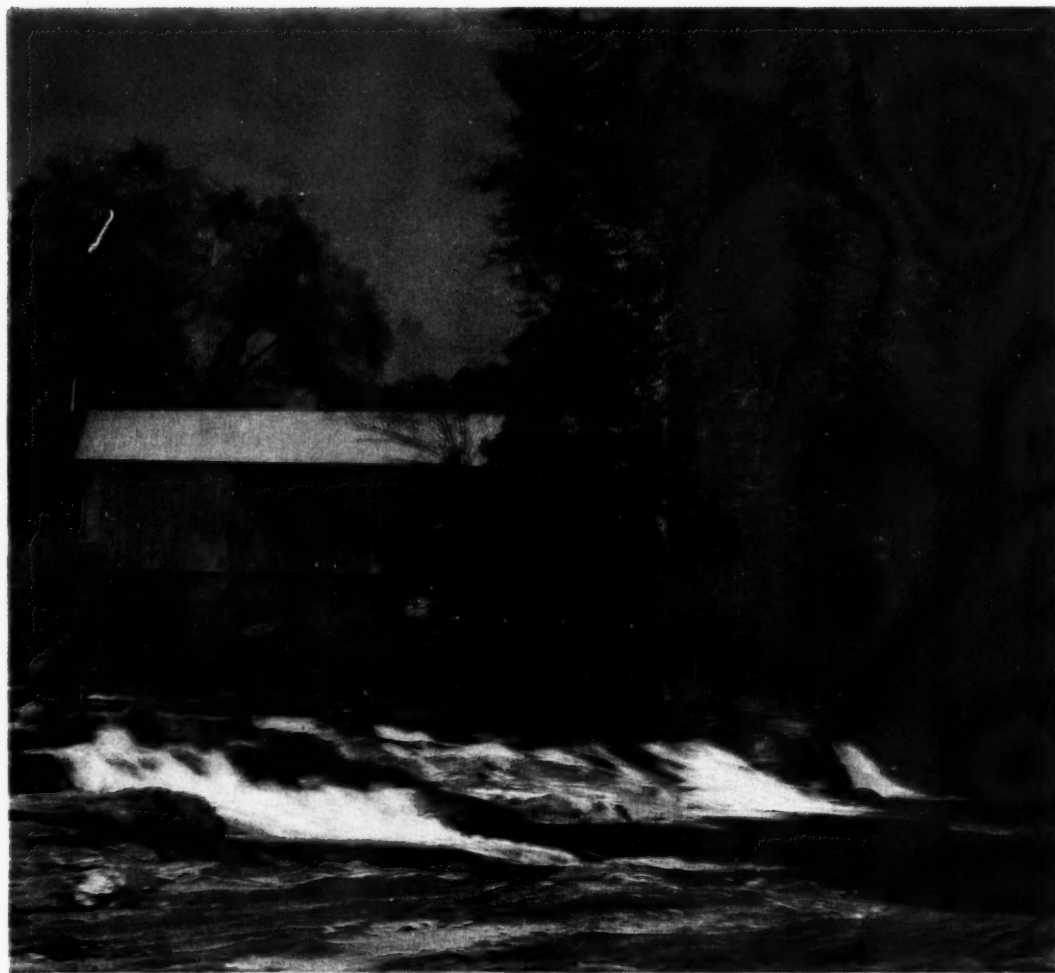


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## LIFE-GIVING WATERS

*"And He Shewed Me A Pure River Of Water Of Life"*

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by Ewing Galloway

*When Napoleon was in Egypt* he was told that if he could solve the riddle of the Sphinx he would know the way to eternal life. Just as the Great Pyramid remained a mystery until it was linked with the Bible, to whose truth it bears testimony, so, too, the riddle of the Sphinx remained unsolved until it was associated with that to which it also bears testimony. Let us take the clue furnished by the Sphinx — whose head is that of a woman and whose body is that of a lion — and read the story as given in the constellations and signs of the Zodiac. Beginning with the woman — *Virgo*, the Virgin — and ending with *Leo*, the Lion, the twelve signs of the Zodiac portray a pictorial story of the way to eternal life.

# Life-giving Waters

**W**ITHOUT WATER life would be impossible upon this globe and, because this is so, astronomers always discount the possibility of the existence of life on any planet where there is no evidence of the presence of this life-sustaining fluid. Water is so all-essential to human existence that it is used in the Scriptures to symbolize everlasting life.

Isaiah refers to the life-sustaining waters of the Spirit and exclaims, "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters" (Isa. 55: 1). These are the life-giving waters to which Jesus also referred when He said to the woman of Samaria, "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water" (John 4: 10).

The woman did not understand what Jesus meant because she knew He had no means by which He could draw water from the deep well. She asked, "From whence then hast thou that living water?" (John 4: 11). In reply Jesus said, "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life" (John 4: 14). This is a beautiful simile of the power of the Spirit of the Lord working within as a spring-fed well of water, continually flowing into everlasting life.

Later, on the Isle of Patmos, John was given a vision of these living waters in the form of a mighty river flowing from the Throne of God, on whose banks grew the Tree of Life. Through sin our first parents lost the right to the Tree of Life and were driven from the Garden or Paradise of God. But John is shown Paradise restored with the Tree of Life there in all of its splendor, nourished by the life-giving waters of the river of God. John described what he saw:

"Then he showed me the river of the water of Life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the streets of the City; on both sides of the

river grew the tree of Life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, each month having its own fruit; and the leaves served to heal the nations. None who is accursed shall be there; but the throne of God and the Lamb shall be within it, with the worship of his servants — they shall see his face, and his name is to be on their foreheads. Night there shall be none; they need no lamp or sun to shine upon them, for the Lord God will illumine them; and they shall reign for ever and ever." (Rev. 22: 1-5, *Moffatt Trans.*)

This vision made such an impression on John that he exclaimed, "I John saw and heard all this; and when I heard and saw it, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who had shown me it all. But he said to me, 'No, never that! I am but a servant like yourself and your brothers the prophets, who lay to heart the words of this book. Worship God!'" (Rev. 22: 8-9, *Moffatt Trans.*)

The Angel certified to the truth of the vision revealed to John and the certainty of its soon fulfillment. He instructed the Apostle not to seal the words of this prophecy, stating that in the day of its fulfillment the state of every individual will have become fixed:

"Let the wicked still be wicked, let the filthy still be filthy,  
Let the righteous still do right, let the holy still be holy!"

A special blessing is pronounced upon those who are holy, "Blessed are those who wash their robes, that theirs may be the right to the tree of Life, the right to enter the gates of the City. Begone, you dogs, you sorcerers, you vicious creatures, you murderers, you idolaters, you who love and practice falsehood, every one of you!" (Rev. 22: 14-15, *Moffatt Trans.*) To those to whom the rewards of righteousness are to be given the call goes out, "Come, say the Spirit and the Bride: let the hearer too say 'Come'; and let the thirsty come, let anyone who desires it, take the water of Life without price" (Rev. 22: 17, *Moffatt Trans.*).

**Y**OUR attention, as you read this publication, is directed toward the destinies of the nations of the world, the war, and our changing economy. The conclusions are based on the *only* authoritative source — the prophecies of the Holy Bible. In this way one can know the purpose and outcome of present chaos and you may well be startled, if this is your first acquaintance with its *national phase*, to discover the Bible as the most modern Book in the world. Containing information we must all shortly take into account, it deals mainly with the origin, history and destiny of *one* race and it is very probable that *you* are of that race, thus both the Bible and DESTINY deserve your consideration and study.

DESTINY identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel under the leadership of the United States of America and Great Britain, and proceeds to prove it to be true. The magazine itself is published by plain Americans who have seriously studied God's Word in the Scriptures and who have seen God's hand in American and world history. We are not introducing a new religion. We are not a sect. In a time when esteem for the Bible has greatly declined, we stand for the truth of the Book as applied to the spiritual, economic and political life of man on the earth and so have formed a non-profit organization — which is undenominational — to publish these truths in order that others may possess this important information.

Our responsibility in these matters is deepened by the fact that the Anglo-Saxons are the people with whom God made His unalterable Covenant, and upon whom He laid His Law. That is, we accept the Scripture which describes a servant race appointed by God as the earthly vehicle of His purpose to the nations. This people He called *Israel*. Selected, disciplined, dispersed on their mission, they are here now — these are still Bible times in the truest sense — and it is a marvelous, continuing-on-through-the-centuries history. For we note that Israel left Palestine, while the Jews remained. We trace Israel out of the East and across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles, then on to America. By

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what the prophets wrote of them, what the monuments record, what the traditions preserve, by the "way-marks" they left at various stages of their journey, but mostly by the way they have fulfilled, unconsciously, what the Word of God states concerning them, and by the innumerable evidences of God's providence in their present situation, we know who and where they are, and what they will do.

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*Israel!* To many folk, today, the true meaning of this lovely name is lost or obscured. The fallacy persists that the ancient Israel people were chosen by God as an object of favoritism. God's choice of Israel still stands as a positive fact; yet there is no question of favoritism. The people of Israel were chosen for *service*. God called Israel to convey, to all mankind, the blessings of peace, happiness and true progress. While performing that service, God guaranteed to Israel the reward which every faithful servant should receive: the benevolence and protection of the Master. He placed

His own name upon them, for Israel means "a prince with God," and He commanded them not to "take it in vain." That they did take God's name in vain — and so lost it — is a matter of history. That they will again carry it — to God's honor and service — is clear from the Bible, and is the subject of our publication.

Like the name Israel, *Anglo-Saxon* is a noble name when clearly understood. As here used it does not stand for the Nordic racial theory or for the exaltation of any nation. We exalt God, not man. And we recognize that all who are "born again" and believe in Jesus Christ, regardless of his or her race, will partake of the blessings of the Covenant. We emphasize the Anglo-Saxon-Israel fact, however, and thus make Israel's identity clear, because it has been so grossly neglected and misunderstood in Bible teaching and is *essential* to an understanding of the prophecies and plan of God as contained in the Bible.

We see in the Bible plain guidance for the spiritual life of the soul, for the moral order of society and for the economic process of community and national well-being based on justice and equity. We find the moral order by which God intends to make obsolete the pagan order under which we still live. We see our Israel forefathers as they lived in alternate obedience and rejection of the Law, with consequent prosperity, punishment and correction. We have the Voice of God recalling us to our allegiance and foretelling the consequences of certain courses of action, and we have our Lord offering to set up completely the Kingdom of God on earth in its spiritual, economic and moral elements with Himself as King.

Thus we stand for the *whole law of God and the whole Gospel of Christ!* In large and general terms, this defines our position. We are anti-nothing and pro-everything relating to God's revealed purpose. We publish the neglected truths concerning the Kingdom or Government of God, for peace and justice, and concerning the people of God who continue today — the same people with the same work — now nearing the time of the full entry of the rule of God among men.

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## THE MARCH OF HISTORY

### PREVENTING RECOVERY

AN INTERESTING prophecy by Elisha is recorded in II Kings, the eighth chapter, in which the Prophet stated that a sick king could recover from his illness, but, nevertheless, he would die. Ben-hadad, King of Syria, was sick. Elisha the Prophet had arrived in Damascus and the King, hearing of his presence in the city, sent Hazael, a high official in his government, to him to inquire of the Lord whether he would recover from his disease or not.

Elisha told Hazael to tell Ben-hadad that he could indeed recover from his sickness but that the Lord had shown him he would certainly die. Thus, insofar as the disease was concerned, Ben-hadad would regain his health, but what Elisha was shown by the Lord in addition to this was that Hazael was plotting to put the King to death and seize the kingdom. The King's illness furnished the means by which Hazael could complete his plot and when the report was made known to Hazael himself that His King could recover, he immediately schemed to murder Ben-hadad before he could get well again. The grim irony of the situation lay in the fact that the information was delivered into the hands of the very man least interested in the King's recovery, for he coveted rulership over Syria.

This is analogous to our present economic condition in a very interesting way. The entire world economy is very sick, but left to itself, and allowing the normal law of supply and demand to operate unhampered by human regulations, it would recover and again become healthy, with trade stabilizing itself over a period of time. But men are impatient and covet power; therefore, they are endeavoring to attain their ends through the institution of a system of regimentation and controls which they have led men to believe will restore prosperity to all.

The Lord has shown us through His prophets that the present world economic structure is to pass away. Thus, the ultimate result of the acts of men will be to so disarrange the system that inevitable economic disaster will be unavoidable.

Just as Ben-hadad could have recovered from his disease were it not for interference by a human agency causing

premature death, so, too, our present world economy could recover its former stability except for human agencies interfering with its overall operations. We are, therefore, nearing the end of a system that has existed for many centuries and its destruction is being brought about by arrogant men who have thought themselves competent to regulate and control the world financial structure in a manner contrary to the laws governing its existence.

### COVETING AUTHORITY

WE HAVE KNOWN of many instances where men have come into an inheritance or borrowed sums of money, using the financial assistance to establish themselves in business, and who failed to make a success of their undertakings because they lacked the ability to work harder and for longer hours at less pay than they had received as an employee. What is often overlooked by those who seek to advance themselves in this way is the likelihood that more time must be given for less pay per hour to assure success in the new venture. As an employee a man gives so many hours of labor for the wages received, but at the end of his working week it is someone else's responsibility to see that his envelope contains the required amount of pay for his work.

The new independence of the man who works for himself always brings with it added responsibilities rather than more authority and less work. The attitude of some that, now being their own boss, they can go fishing whenever they like is having its effect upon labor where a government nationalizes industry. A news item about the situation in Great Britain is an illustration of the thinking of this type of individual:

"Whenever the Labor Government nationalizes another industry, that industry's productive efficiency goes down. Chief reason seems to be that the workers argue that they're their own bosses now, so why work hard?"

Here perhaps is the explanation for one of Great Britain's principal difficulties — lowered production standards. There are, comparatively speaking, only a few out of the multitudes of men and women who have the personal driving force and spirit of initiative and enterprise

to become their own bosses and work harder than they ever worked before in their lives. Many a laboring man, looking at the boss and secretly envying him, vows that if ever it is his fortune to occupy such a position, he will surely take it easy. What he does not know is that to follow the course he envisions would be to take the sure road to ultimate bankruptcy and ruin.

The following from European Supplement to *Human Events* is worthy of serious consideration:

"The financial editor of the *Manchester Guardian* asserts that 'current British prices contain probably as much as 20 to 25 per cent water,' while the *London Economist* brings out the striking fact that prices are much higher than pre-war in 'real' terms; that is, in number of weeks of net wages: the cheapest motorcar up to 55 weeks from 39, the cheapest man's suit up to 7 weeks from 5 and the standard Council house up from 112 to 215 weeks!

"This is economic retrogression and it certainly is disappointing to believers in Socialism that the condition of the worker should thus be worsened in a manner which no amount of oratory can any longer conceal. It has been argued in favor of the Labor Government that it averted social unrest. Now, unrest is boiling up in most disturbing fashion at the very moment when continental countries are beginning to establish a good record in this most important realm.

"It was more than unhappy coincidence from the British viewpoint, that as Sir Stafford Cripps announced new rationing in London, the French people were everywhere making the occasion of Bastille Day (July 14) a good excuse for rejoicing over the slackening of state controls."

It is just as disastrous for a nation to overlook certain fundamental principles as it is for an individual to do so. There is no short cut to true prosperity, for what God pronounced upon man in ancient times is still the basic law of production today: "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread" (Gen. 3: 19). By her experimentations with state socialism, Great Britain is making a demonstration to the world that this fundamental principle is still operative. In spite of this demonstration, however, the United States of America is starting to follow in the same footsteps. We, too, shall learn the hard way, for before the present experiments with the enactment of "security" measures to protect all—including the indolent—from the cradle to the grave have run their full course, we shall be brought face to face with an economic crisis of major proportions.

## PACT RATIFIED

THE NORTH ATLANTIC Pact has now been ratified by the United States Senate. President Truman stated that it was a great step in assuring future world peace. Actually, it is anything but a step in the direction of world peace, for while the North Atlantic Pact may have the effect of slowing down the Western drive of the Russians, it will in no way prevent continued Soviet aggression. The only effect, if any, that the Pact will have upon the Kremlin will be to change the direction of their drive in their plans for world domination. This is even now becoming apparent in the Far East and will become even more so later when the Soviet armed forces invade the Middle East.

By the ratification of the North Atlantic Pact the United States Senate has placed our nation in the center of future European troubles. As stated in "The Atlantic Pact," *DESTINY* for May 1949:

"It must be borne in mind that the present pact is too late to prevent the coming clash between the East and the West, for the Soviets are not going to refrain from aggression merely because a North Atlantic Security Pact has been signed. In fact, it is most likely to lead to drastic action in the near future."

Those, along with the President of the United States, who expect this treaty signed by the Western nations to prevent war are in for a rude awakening. The prophets of the Lord are very clear that this is not the way to lasting peace. The nations, nevertheless, including the Anglo-Saxon peoples, are evidently determined to try every human device for preventing war rather than conform with the God-given instructions by which peace will come. The restoration of the administration of the commandments, statutes and judgments of the Lord is the one road that will lead to lasting peace. Because of sin and unbelief, the nations at large do not know the way to peace and the people of God, because of ignorance of His Word, are unable to point out the correct direction to those who wish for its blessings.

## SIMPLETONS BELIEVE

OBSERVING WITH interest the Communist-inspired labor troubles in Canada, Great Britain and in our own Hawaiian Islands, we wonder when the simple will learn wisdom. The purpose of such Communist-inspired agitation is to cause chaos and it has as its ultimate objective the weakening of Anglo-Saxon authority and power so that the way may be prepared for Communist overlordship.

It is one thing for labor to strike to make working conditions right or to adjust inequalities in wages, but it is altogether another matter when the strike becomes a weapon of aggression to further the program of a potential national enemy. When the right to strike becomes the tool of Communist agitators for the purpose of harassing a government or its people, then labor is in league with forces whose ultimate intention is to destroy free labor itself when the Communists succeed in Sovietizing a government.

Present Communist-inspired strikes would be impossible except for the support of thousands who are not actually Communists themselves but who assist the Communists, having been completely fooled by their clever propaganda. Actually, the Communists are practicing deceptive trickery upon the gullible, for while they pretend to uphold the rights of the laboring class, they actually have no intention whatever of doing so once they come to power. A Communist government in operation recognizes no rights of working men that it is duty bound to respect when it is to advantage of the clique in control to disregard them.

There is profound irony in the present situation for the very men who are striking in these Communist-inspired labor troubles would be the first to be shot for treason if they were to support a similar situation under a Communist regime. The right to strike for better working conditions or to demand wage adjustments would be completely outlawed if the conditions prevailing behind the iron curtain were ultimately extended to include Anglo-Saxon lands. The very men who are today at liberty to strike under our Anglo-Saxon law would find themselves but chattels of the state with no civil rights at all. What these working men are failing to recognize is that they

are being used by evil-inspired leaders to forge chains of slavery with which they are later to be bound, for, were the designs of the Communists to succeed, they would lose all freedom and would not dare to raise their voices in protest against the tyrants they helped to place in power. Deportation or the firing squad would be the lot of those who had the intrepidity to oppose the justice that would be the lot of the laboring man. There would indeed be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth.

It seems impossible at present to make men believe these facts. Perhaps they must first learn by actual experience how the taskmaster's lash feels before they will awaken to the realization of the deep-seated evil back of the present Communist propaganda. They should read and ponder the following advice given by Solomon:

"The simpleton believes what he is told: the shrewd man watches where he is going." (Prov. 14: 15, *Moffatt Trans.*)

Labor seems to be wholly unaware in their support of Communist-inspired strikes that they are being sold down the river, but if they continue to persist in such folly, they are in the category of those of whom Solomon was speaking when he also said:

"Crush a fool with a pestle in the mortar, but you will never crush the folly out of him." (Prov. 27: 22, *Moffatt Trans.*)

Just as surely as the Anglo-Saxon world moves steadily on toward a national crisis, so, too, labor is moving toward the day when the hard-won freedom of choice, the right to demand change in working conditions or increase in pay may all be lost to it. If that should happen, it will take a power above and beyond human capability to deliver labor from an economic bondage worse than the Egyptian bondage of ancient Israel. Lest it be forgotten: God allowed Israel to drink to the depths of the dregs of suffering and hardship, brought about by their own folly in turning away from obedience to Him, before He moved to bring about their deliverance. It was a lesson learned in the merciless school of experience and it may be that labor today must learn its lesson in the same crucible. It need not be so, but if laboring men continue to believe and act upon Communist-inspired propaganda, such an end is inevitable.

## PERVERTING JUDGMENT

NO ONE WHO HAS the best interests of his country at heart could have followed the handling of the Alger Hiss trial without becoming greatly disturbed. The evidence of the perversion of judgment under a judge who showed a marked preference for the defendant is so clear that the failure of the judicial committee of Congress to act in view of their knowledge of the facts will be a national calamity. After reading the report in *Life Magazine* for July 18, 1949 on this trial, there comes to mind Isaiah's appraisal of perversion of judgment and justice in this manner:

"And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea, truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey." (Isa. 59: 14-15.)

If it were not for the fact that Alger Hiss was designated as the defendant, one might be led to think that it was Whittaker Chambers who was being tried for perjury. It is certain that, having turned from the evils of Com-

munism, Chambers made himself a prey, or as it is translated in the Smith and Goodspeed Bible, "an easy mark."

Judge Samuel H. Kaufman displayed every indication of prejudice in favor of Alger Hiss according to all the news accounts of the trial and the reports about his attitude, mannerisms and rulings. These reports being true, he not only violated his oath as a judge, but he also broke the commandment of the Lord addressed to judges:

"You must never tamper with justice, you must never be partial to anyone, and you must never accept a bribe—for a bribe blinds even men whose eyes are open, and it destroys the case of a good man. Justice, justice you must aim at, that you may live and possess the land given to you by the Eternal your God." (Deut. 16: 19-20, *Moffatt Trans.*)

In reporting the conduct of Judge Kaufman, *Life* referred to the fact that Hiss' defense lawyer wandered in almost any direction and the Judge himself obligingly helped him in the questioning. By contrast Judge Kaufman kept the government prosecutor within the narrowest limits of legalistic procedure. Suicides in the Chambers family could be explored in gruesome detail; Hiss family suicides could not. What *Life* calls the most questionable Kaufman ruling was his refusal to admit testimony from the ex-wife of Gerhart Eisler about her former underground Communist dealings with Hiss. It is clear from all this that Judge Kaufman certainly does not believe in the admonition of the Lord, "You must never be partial to anyone."

When Associate Justice Felix Frankfurter of the United States Supreme Court came to the witness stand as a character witness for Hiss, *Life* states:

"Kaufman bounced off his bench to shake the great man's hand, and all through his testimony treated him with exaggerated respect."

Such an exhibition of the miscarriage of justice in the conduct of a case involving our national security not only brings the procedure of a federal court into question but it casts reflection upon our entire judicial system. If the judge involved escapes proper official censure or impeachment for his prejudicial misconduct, will it be because the same powerful interests protecting Hiss will have thrown a cloak of protection around the judge for assisting them in their endeavor to make it possible for Hiss to escape conviction?

Judge Kaufman, Felix Frankfurter and others seem to have been tremendously concerned that Alger Hiss not be convicted regardless of the evidence. Why?

The case reeks to high heaven of intrigue and backstage maneuvering on the part of men in prominent positions of authority in the endeavor on their part to clear Hiss at all cost. We trust that Alger Hiss will soon be brought to trial again, and this time before an impartial court where all the evidence pertinent to the case will be allowed to be presented.

Drew Pearson voiced the conviction of the subversive forces for whom he often speaks when, a few days before the trial ended, he predicted Hiss' acquittal. The failure of the jury to reach a verdict must have come as a great surprise to Justice Frankfurter, who condescended to become a character witness for Hiss, as well as to the rest of Hiss' powerful friends.

Whittaker Chambers, in the inception of his contro-

versy with Hiss, willingly assented to being subjected to a test by a lie detector, but Hiss refused. The prejudicial misconduct of Hiss' trial perhaps supplies the answer as to why he feared the results of being subjected to a lie detector test and preferred to rely upon the influence of powerful friends which finally included the presiding judge when the case was transferred from Washington, D. C., to New York, apparently for the very purpose of having Kaufman take the case.

Meantime, what is the judicial committee of Congress going to do about Judge Kaufman's conduct in court? They might also inquire into some phases of Justice Felix Frankfurter's activities behind the scenes, for the results could be highly illuminating.

It was Socrates who said:

"Four things belong to a judge: to hear courteously, to answer wisely, to consider soberly, and to decide impartially."

Fortunately for our people, the greater majority of the judges in our land conform with these requirements. However, it is well to always keep in mind that righteousness in a nation is evidenced by the impartial administration of judgment and justice to all alike. When the courts become corrupt, the people will revert to the law of the jungle, for without justice violence and crime walk hand in hand with those who hold office and with the judge who sits on the bench. A judge who practices favoritism and accepts a bribe — whether it be in the form of money, favors or unmerited appointments — is unfit to sit in judgment upon the conduct of others. A breakdown of the judiciary through the appointment of men as judges who are totally unqualified for such positions is to write over the portals of our courts the quotation from Dante's *Inferno*: "Abandon hope, all ye who enter here."

### THE BRITISH CRISIS

WE HAVE A GREAT deal of sympathy for the British people and we are aware that their nation has come under the rule of men who seem to be more concerned about carrying out their socialistic experiments in full than in saving the nation from disaster. *The Financial Times*, London, England, has this to say:

"The government is determined to preserve the ark of socialism come what may. This crisis cannot be dealt with in an ostrich-like manner. It is a crisis for the country. And it would be well for the country if it produced a crisis for the government."

When an individual has so mismanaged his personal affairs that he is on the verge of bankruptcy, and even then refuses to correct his precarious financial situation by drastic changes to remove the cause of his difficulties, to advance more funds for him to continue in his folly will merely contribute to increasing his liability when final economic collapse comes upon him. Money from the American taxpayers has been advanced to Britain's Labor Government to help postpone the inevitable day of reckoning as the result of its experimentations in state socialism. Great Britain would have faced the crisis two years ago but for the financial assistance rendered by a capitalistic country.

A solvent individual can render so much assistance to keep an insolvent friend from bankruptcy that when the crash comes he will face economic ruin also. Nations are no different in this respect than an individual.

However, we are aware that the Lord God of Israel intends that the present Babylonian economy shall come to judgment. In the Labor Government Great Britain has her wrecking crew at work, while in the United States we have a spendthrift administration that has been working to the same end. The net result for both nations will be national bankruptcy.

No power on earth can now stop the progress of economic attrition which the respective wrecking crews in Great Britain and the United States of America have set in motion. God is allowing our prosperity to wane because we have forgotten Him and turned away from His laws. When finally our national wealth is entirely dissipated and our hope is gone, men will be compelled to become more susceptible to genuine spiritual values and the back-of-the-scenes agnostic advisors and leaders in both of our great nations will be disenthroned. It seems to be ever so that only through much tribulation and trial will God's people turn to Him and repent of their unrighteousness. Because this is so, we must look forward to months which are destined to be fraught with increasing economic troubles. At the end of the road lies the complete collapse of the present Babylonian economy.

### THE STABILIZER

SOME ECONOMISTS, along with many left-wing radicals, have been continually harping on the theme that capitalism is a complete failure. While we are fully aware of the evils that exist under our capitalistic system, we also realize that under the present economy we have had a degree of prosperity greater than that which any other system in operation in the world today has been able to provide.

By the institution of every planned economy men have failed to provide permanent prosperity. Communism in operation produces only poverty and misery and the people under its sway are reduced to a low level of existence. Socialism has proved to be a complete failure wherever it has been tried.

Great Britain today is the perfect example of a modern nation turning to Socialism in the hope of securing relief from the destructive effects of war, only to find that the result is an increase in austerity and economic troubles. If it had not been for billions of dollars of credit advanced by a capitalistic country, the austerity would have been even more severe for the English people. Except for this financial help, the present crisis facing the British Labor Government would have become acute long ago.

It is stated in *Digest of the Divine Law*\* that "in operation, the system of capitalism has proved wanting and has been unable to establish an equitable distribution of wealth and bring prosperity and happiness to all men everywhere, while during its activity poverty has grown in the midst of plenty." But with all of its failings, capitalism has survived down through the centuries as the only tried basis of world economy that has continued to operate when other systems have failed. The institution of Socialism-Communism in Russia has destroyed wealth, and wherever Socialism itself becomes supreme, economic bankruptcy follows. Why?

We are certain that the chief reason why capitalism will operate in spite of all its shortcomings, while all other systems fail, is that capitalism does not destroy individual

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incentive. Under capitalism the doctrine of free enterprise flourishes and men are at liberty to strive to attain and then to enjoy to a degree the fruits of their personal efforts and labor. Thus, regardless of all the long list of recognized abuses under our present system, men have at least retained a modicum of freedom of choice.

Capitalism has not destroyed the right to exercise ingenuity, nor has it completely shackled the development of personal talents, although it often does determine how hard and how long some must work to get what they want. Human nature being what it is, men like to gamble, and even though few in comparison with the many win complete economic prosperity and security under our capitalistic system, young men starting out in business always assure themselves that they will be the ones to succeed. Individual incentive and enterprise, like hope springing eternal in the human breast, will spur the ambitious ones on — and a few of them will attain the successful position in life that they are striving for.

Sometimes the pursuit of that reward is equivalent to a dog chasing a piece of meat on the end of a stick strapped to his back, but at least he sees the meat and it provides the incentive to run after it. The possibility of all such rewards is denied the individual under Communism, for there is no stick and meat for him to pursue. Socialism also lacks an incentive creator; it tries instead to substitute only a vision of good things shared by all, which soon proves to be but a mirage, and men quickly weary of chasing a mere shadow.

With all of its abuses, and poverty in the midst of plenty, capitalism at least gives a man the right to strive and to own his own things — few or many as they may be. Take this fundamental inducement away from him and the capitalistic system itself will soon be reduced to the low level of Communism and its partner in economic skulduggery — Socialism. The final result will then be a world-wide economic catastrophe.

All this being true, it is well to take note of present world trends. It is the purpose of the subversive forces within our own land to destroy the right of men to freedom of action and, through regimentation and the institution of controls, take from them the incentive to work and labor. This is done in the name of a more equitable distribution of goods, or some such excuse, and it will destroy capitalism as surely as though we adopted outright the tenets of belief advocated by the Communists and Socialists. The disquieting feature is that the President of the United States is lending his support to such a program of destruction by advocating the principles of a controlled economy.

When once the program of the subversives has become the basis of operation, even in this capitalistic country, individual enterprise and initiative will be gone, and with these will go all incentive to work. When this has become an accomplished fact, the crash will come. It is only because today there still remains some freedom of choice, and the right to pursue a selected vocation in our great nation, that we have been able to date to prevent world economic chaos from materializing.

The day of reckoning however approaches step by step as we slip into a state of Socialism through enactment of laws which tend to destroy personal reliance and the need of exercising individual foresight. If we continue to allow the economic planners to take over, we shall have

only ourselves to thank as we follow in the footsteps of Great Britain which is now entering the morass of economic oblivion.

But even in the face of the present inevitable trends, both in Great Britain and the United States of America, we need not despair, for there is a system that can take the place of capitalism and bring true prosperity and peace to the world. This system is not a man-made panacea for human ills; it is the perfect economy set forth in the Law of the Lord. The following quotation from *Digest of the Divine Law* calls attention to a few of its principles:

"The continuation of capitalism, the substitution of socialism, or the adoption of communism will not cure the economic ills of mankind. Perfection in any true economic structure that will bring to men real happiness in the labor of his hands must eliminate destructive competition, and in the midst of plenty allow no poverty. It will not destroy private enterprise and industry, nor will it deprive citizens of the right of ownership. There will be competition, but a competition in doing good work and in the rendering of services. Private enterprise and industry will flourish in the hands of individuals who will consider themselves stewards accountable to God for the welfare and happiness of those in their employ who will share equitably in all profits. The security of private ownership will be established, and it will be protected with a manifest willingness and spirit on the part of each individual to share with others the things he possesses when it is necessary to do so.

"Let us not lose sight of the importance of the family in the plans of God, for in the perfect economic structure the spirit of happy family life will permeate the entire community. As there are members of the family who can accomplish more than others, so, too, will there be members of the community capable of accomplishing above others. But, as in the family, each has his or her own possessions, so in the community property rights will be respected. No member of the perfect family will withhold from a brother or sister any possession in time of need, nor will a real brother or sister take selfish advantage of this spirit of generosity. Thus will it be when the economic laws of the Lord are operating in a society that is in accord with the plans of God." (*Digest of the Divine Law*, pages 82-83.)

Men, however, will not willingly give up their present methods of acquiring wealth under a system of competition that elevates a few at the expense of the many. It is because this is so that God is allowing the wrecking crew to operate. When they finally accomplish their purposes the ensuing economic chaos will bring men to the realization of the need of accepting the perfect economy which they now refuse to recognize. It is a pity that men must first pass through a gethsemane of trouble before they become willing to accept a system that is ready and waiting to offer the blessings of true prosperity and peace.

## OUT OF THE PAST

ARCHAEOLOGISTS ARE continually bringing to light interesting evidence about the past as a result of excavations they are making. *Egypt News* for May 1949 reports the following facts regarding recent finds linking Egypt with Northern Sudan:

"A joint expedition of the Egypt Exploration Society and the Sudan Government Antiquities Service has just finished a season's excavation on the site of the ancient Egyptian town of Amara, near Abri, in the Northern Sudan.

"The town has been described by Peter Shinnie, Sudan Government archeologist, who has been in charge of the excavations, as one without parallel in the history of Egyptology. The site is

about 110 miles southwest of Wadi Halfa, below the Sudan-Egyptian border.

"Excavations have confirmed that the ancient Nile fortress town was built on an island as the capital of the southern half of the ancient Egyptian African Empire. Previous work has shown the town to have been a large and important one.

"It is believed now that it was the center of administration of the Egyptians and the seat of their Governor General of the district, from the reign of Seti I (about 1314 B.C.) for about 300 years.

"At the east end of the town, a fine street was found which must have been one of the main thoroughfares. In a palace believed owned by the Governor General, workers uncovered a series of rooms and several small three-room houses on the grounds. These were possibly the houses of artisans employed in the palace.

"The town wall, like all the buildings, was made of mud brick. When cleared of sand, it was found to stand eleven feet high.

"Outside the wall and on what had once been the bank of the Nile river, the expedition found the remains of a vegetable or flower garden. These were many small rectangular cultivated plots similar to those used in the Sudan today, and in the midst of this garden a small building was discovered. It must have been a shrine in origin but at some later date was used as a house, perhaps by the gardener.

"When the shrine was in use for religious purposes it must have been connected with some kind of snake worship, for many pots, carefully closed with mud stoppers, were found, containing the skeletons of snakes.

"All the snakes seem to have been pythons, a variety which is never found in these regions now, but several hundred miles to the south.

"A stone block of a building thought to be a temple was inscribed with the name of Ramses II.

"This proves that it was in use during the time of the Egyptian occupation of the town. Buildings outside the massive walls show that though they made their town a well-defended one, the people there cannot have feared attack from the inhabitants of the surrounding country."

### CREATORS OF ANTI-SEMITISM

ATTENTION HAS already been called in DESTINY\* to the supposed anti-Semitic attitude of the Soviet Government and the lack of substantiating evidence for the release of reports about it. Now a published news item reveals this claimed Soviet anti-Semitism to be a hoax inspired by the American Jewish Committee as a clever trick to serve an ulterior purpose. It is therefore interesting to note the reaction to his hoax, for it has certainly boomeranged, having an effect exactly opposite to that originally desired by the Jewish Committee.

The release of reports of supposed anti-Semitic activities by the Soviets has only tended to reinforce anti-Jew ideas latent in the minds of some Americans and the reaction to the hoax has left the Jews aghast at the results. The following quotation typifies the reaction stated to have followed the releases by the American Jewish Committee in its endeavor to falsify the news:

"See, this proves the Jews are impossible to get along with anywhere. Even the Russians, who tried to give the Jews a break, finally found out that Hitler was right about them. The Jews are always whining about being persecuted. Whenever a Jew is criticized for anything at all, even in Russia, he claims it's anti-Semitic. You'd think the Jews would be grateful because the Russian Communists stopped pogroms and made anti-Semitism a crime. They haven't any gratitude. They aren't satisfied unless

\*See "Skillful Deception," DESTINY for August 1949, page 259.

you turn your whole country over to them."

When anyone institutes a planned campaign of deception, there is no cause for him to later complain if the results turn out to be highly unfavorable to him. Righteousness is the way to peace; deception breeds every form of evil to which men can become subjected. It is evident that the American Jewish Committee felt they could flaunt fundamental principles of righteousness at will and still escape the responsibility of creating anti-Semitism. They cannot.

### OUR BLOODY HIGHWAYS

IN ITS COMMENTS upon the taverns and package stores located along the main highways, the *American Brewer* for May 16, 1949 stated that they could look forward to increased business since the Federal Works Agency reports that three million private and commercial vehicles were added to the nation's automobile equipment during the last year.

Millions of touring vacationists will patronize tourist camps, hotels and alcohol-selling filling stations, and many who might have returned refreshed and happy will die or be maimed because of the greed of the liquor traffic. Unfortunately, the dead and the maimed may not be the ones who tried to mix alcohol with gasoline.

The American Automobile Association entered a protest against the sale of intoxicating liquors at gasoline filling stations, but their objection seems to have fallen on deaf ears. It is estimated that intoxicants are now sold by more than ten thousand vendors of gasoline.

The Government of the United States licenses the sale of a beverage that turns otherwise safe and sane drivers into a highway menace, making them a potential danger to the life and limbs of possible innocent victims. All revenue received from such a source is blood money, and while one agency of government harangues the public on the virtues of safe-driving, another agency of government licenses the sale to motorists of a potent drug that takes away judgment, destroys the sense of alertness and is sending thousands out upon our crowded highways as potential killers. Surely the right hand does not know what the left hand is doing — or perhaps it does not care so long as the revenue flows in! When will the American public awaken to the seriousness of this situation and demand that this traffic cease?

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By Howard B. Rand

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# Created and Formed

SINCE THE publication of "The Crumbling Wall of Untempered Mortar," DESTINY for July 1949, we have received letters from professional men and men of science objecting to our statement that the first chapter of Genesis outlines the whole panoramic sweep of creation, including the creation of man, and that the second chapter outlines the detail by which man was formed of the dust of the ground. The objection bases its contention upon the idea that Adam was *formed*, not *created*, and that there is a distinction between the created race and those who are the posterity of the man who was formed from the dust of the ground.

## Pre-Adamic Race

We are fully aware of the controversy that has been going on as to the coexistence of a pre-Adamic race with that of the Adamic peoples. We also recognize the fact that there is considerable evidence to show that the earth was inhabited by a race of people prior to the Adamic era. Jeremiah the Prophet refers very briefly to the existence of such a race, but he states that as a result of the earth becoming void and without form, it was completely destroyed off the face of the earth (Jer. 4: 23-26). This destruction of an ancient civilization in a great catastrophe, making the earth uninhabitable, was interjected by Jeremiah as a simile in relation to what was about to take place in Palestine, for the Lord said that every city would be forsaken and not a man would dwell therein. Nevertheless, the Prophet referred to an actual event that took place in ancient times, which we recognize as fulfilling the conditions outlined in Genesis 1: 2. Prior to that catastrophe the earth was not in a state of confusion.

Men have theorized for years about the possibility of the coexistence of another race of human beings upon the earth during the time of Adam, but it is only speculative and without foundation in fact. Any evidence of man's existence upon earth antedating the time of the creation of Adam can readily be traced to the existence of the race of people prior to the great

catastrophe described in Genesis 1: 2. It is possible that through the misuse of power, perhaps atomic energy, that civilization perished and the earth itself became uninhabitable (see "The Release of Atomic Energy" *Documentary Studies*, \* page 222).

## No Controversy

There is no real controversy between true science and the Bible as to the age of the earth or as to the length of man's existence upon this globe of ours. Between the first and second verses of the first chapter of Genesis there may be eons of years, thus leaving a sufficient number of blank pages upon which science may write its records of antiquity. However, following the conditions described in the second verse of this chapter, it became necessary for God to restore this part of His creation to its original state of perfection.

## The First Man

Discussing the account of creation, we stated in "The Crumbling Wall of Untempered Mortar":

"The first chapter of Genesis is a panoramic description of the majestic order of creation. *Elohim*, the Creator, brought into being the heavens and the earth and brought forth upon earth its vegetation, animal and human life. This chapter is complete in itself as to the whole process of creation, ending with the creation of man, male and female, assigning to them the food they should eat."

Adam is referred to by Paul in the New Testament as the first man:

"And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul." (I Cor. 15: 45.)

Ferrar Fenton translates this:

"For so it is written, The first man (Adam) was a living nature."

It is well to pause here and read Ferrar Fenton's translation of the forming of man as given in the second chapter of Genesis:

"The Ever-Living God afterwards formed Man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the life of ani-

mals; But Man became a life-containing soul." (Gen. 2: 7.)

Paul's declaration that Adam was the first man insofar as the present order of the ages is concerned is substantiated by Esdras in his remarkably clear summation:

"Adam also, whom thou madest lord of all thy creatures: of him came we all, and the people also whom thou hast chosen. All this have I spoken before thee, O Lord, because thou madest the world for our sakes. As for the other people, which also come of Adam, thou hast said that they are nothing. . . . And now, O Lord, behold, these heathen, which have ever been reputed as nothing, have begun to be lords over us, and to devour us." (II Esdras 6: 54-57.)

There is no evidence whatever in the Bible to disprove Paul's reference in the New Testament to Adam as the first man insofar as the present order of the ages is concerned. In fact, the idea of other human beings coexisting with Adam does violence to the Scriptures, destroying the meaning of Paul's writings concerning the necessity for the atonement of Jesus Christ to save men's souls. Paul explains:

"Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." (Rom. 5: 12.)

From that premise Paul reasons to the ultimate conclusion made possible by God's mercy:

"For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." (I Cor. 15: 22.)

## Primary Definitions

In the second chapter of Genesis, instead of stating that man was created, we are told:

"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." (Gen. 2: 7.)

Stress is laid upon the fact that there is a distinction between *created* and *form* and we agree that the primary definitions of these two words must be considered. However, the theory that such a distinction indicates two different acts of bringing man into exist-

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ence is an unwarranted assumption. All Bible students are handicapped, it is true, by the fact that the explanatory statements in Genesis concerning this subject are all too brief and it is impossible to supply the meaning of all the factors that contributed to making up the record as we now have it. Perhaps if we had access to the original sources from which Moses secured his information, we would have a better understanding of the whole creative process and could once and for all time settle the issues arising out of the sketchy information available.

In the coming new order of the ages we shall know the whole truth; meantime, in these matters we must walk by faith. Through inspiration, however, God is revealing to the faithful much that cannot be fully comprehended by the processes of reasoning alone. It is also well to bear in mind that one of the great — if not the greatest — hindrances to an understanding of the Scriptures is to approach the investigation of the Bible with preconceived and absolutely fixed ideas. Such an attitude will immediately nullify the possibility of inspirational instruction, for the Spirit of the Lord will never labor to overcome such a barrier to faith.

### *Creative Act*

It is of more than passing interest to note Isaiah's reference to the fact that God did not create the earth in *vain*; that is, a waste. The Hebrew word here translated "vain" in Isaiah 45: 18 is *tohu* and is the same word used in Genesis 1: 2 in the phrase *without form*. We are told here that the earth was not originally created "without form and void" but that it came from God in a perfect state. The condition depicted in the second verse of the first chapter of Genesis came at a later time.

In order to better understand the factors involved in bringing the earth and its inhabitants into being, it is essential to recognize that the original process of creating began as a mental act, after which the formation became a process to bring into being the visualized mental pattern of creation, using physical means to give it form and substance.

Perhaps the best illustration we can give is to refer to the method by which an inventor brings his ideas to completion. The inventor creates an image in his mind out of nothing and from that he intends to later form his invention through the process of building. The

original creative process may consume little or much time according to the ability of the inventor and the subject matter under consideration. The process of building, however, always consumes time, for it may take days or even years to bring the pattern of his invention into being. A genuine inventor will have created in his mind in every detail the machine he expects to build. He will have a mental image of the complete machine, although as yet nothing has been formed. As far as he is concerned, that machine exists, but until it takes shape through the process of manufacture, it does not appear in sight of others.

### *The Perfect Work*

Esdras was contemplating all the wonders he had been shown and he spoke to the Lord of his mental distress:

"And I said, O Lord, thou spakest from the beginning of the creation, even the first day, and saidst thus; Let heaven and earth be made; and thy word was a *perfect work*." (II Esdras 6: 38.)

Thus, God's word became the completed plan of the perfected work, much in the same way that a draftsman makes a plan or blueprint of the thing to be constructed. John had this in mind when he wrote:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1: 1.)

In a footnote on this passage Scofield shows in his commentary that the "Word," or *Logos*, means a thought or concept and the expression or utterance of that thought. When creation began to take form in accordance with the revealed blueprint made of the things to come, that thought began to take physical form. There is much food for thought in the discourse which follows John's opening statement in his Gospel quoted above. His concluding remark on this theme is, "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us" (John 1: 14).

### *The Time Factor*

The infinite God cannot be confined within human time limits in either the process of creating or forming. However, it must be always remembered that He keeps the requirements of His own laws, for He is altogether just and righteous. In his impatience Esdras inquired as to why all things are not made to come to pass at

once so that the promised blessings may be immediately revealed. In reply the Angel said:

"Did not the souls of the righteous ask question of these things in their chambers, saying, How long are we here? When cometh the fruit of the threshing time of our reward? (II Esdras 4: 35.)

The answer given Esdras was:

"Even when the number is fulfilled of them that are like unto you. For he hath weighed the world in the balance: and by measure hath he measured the times, and by number hath he numbered the seasons; and he shall not move nor stir them, until the said measure be fulfilled." (II Esdras 4: 36-37.)

Because Esdras was not wholly satisfied, he asked if the harvest time is not kept back because of the sins of those who dwell upon the earth. The Angel told him to go to a woman who has conceived and ask her if after nine months she can keep the birth any longer within her:

"Then said I, No, Lord, that can she not. And he said unto me, In the grave the chambers of souls are like the womb of a woman: For like as a woman that travaileth maketh haste to escape the necessity of the travail: even so do these places haste to deliver those things that are committed unto them." (II Esdras 4: 41-42.)

### *Conception and Gestation*

It is quite interesting here to note the dictionary definitions of the word conceive:

"To form an idea of; also, to form a mental image; think, imagine. It also means to become pregnant (with); engender, originate."

Conception is the faculty or power of conceiving or forming ideas and it also has reference to the impregnation of an ovum. Thus, in one definition, to conceive is a creative act which begins in the mind, commencing the process of formation, the latter requiring time. Esdras was troubled about the process of time involved, so he asked:

"Couldst thou not make those that have been made, and be now, and that are for to come, at once; that thou mightest show thy judgment the sooner?" (II Esdras 5: 43.)

The Prophet was then shown the impossibility of creating and instantaneously bring that creation into being. Significantly, he was again sent to a woman and instructed:

"Ask the womb of a woman, and say unto her, If thou bringest forth children,

why dost thou it not together, but one after another? Pray her therefore to bring forth ten children at once." (II Esdras 5: 46.)

Esdras recognized the impossibility of doing this and he was told that there is a time for all things:

"For like as a young child may not bring forth the things that belong to the aged, even so have I disposed the world which I created." (II Esdras 5: 49.)

This conversation between Esdras and the Angel, and the illustrations given in answer to the Prophet's queries, clearly demonstrate that the creative act, or conception, is one thing and in itself may be confined to a period of very short duration. In contrast to the function of creating, however, is the process of forming, or bringing into being, of that which was conceived, for the period of gestation always involves the element of time. Insofar as the earth and its inhabitants are concerned, that time consumed centuries.

### Definition of Terms

Let us now carefully examine other passages in the Scriptures bearing upon the creative processes. Through Isaiah the Prophet God has made a most interesting statement regarding His creative work and the formation of that which He had created. Italics are used to emphasize the use of words pertinent to this study:

"For thus saith the Lord that *created* the heavens; God himself that *formed* the earth and *made* it; he hath *established* it, he *created* it not in vain, he *formed* it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else." (Isa. 45: 18.)

The interesting use of the words *create* and *form* in this verse should settle the question raised by their use in the first and second chapters of Genesis. A careful analysis of the use here yields some very interesting results. In Genesis 1: 1 we are informed in one sweeping statement that God *created* the heaven and the earth. By Isaiah we are told that He *formed* the earth. It would have been incorrect to have referred to the earth as formed in Genesis 1: 1, for the forming was yet future to the thought expressed in that verse. However, Isaiah could refer to the earth in that way because the creative act as it applied to the earth had by that time become a completed fact.

The Bible does not refer to the heavens as being *formed* in the sense

that they are a finished creation. There are, however, instances where it is said that they are *created* and *made*. The Psalmist addresses a psalm of praise to the Lord, "To him that by wisdom made the heavens" (Ps. 136: 5). In God's infinite wisdom the whole pattern of the heavens and the ultimate form they will take is made in the sense that it is a completed blueprint in His mind. But until His creative act concerning the whole heavens becomes a fully manifested reality, the final form of the heavens will not become visible.

Ferrar Fenton renders an interesting translation of Isaiah 45: 18:

"Thus says the Lord Who created the Suns, The God Who formed Earth, and provided its laws, Formed it not for a waste, but for men to reside, — I am Ever-Living, and none but Myself."

This reference to the creation of the suns, or stars, is most interesting in the light of Ferrar Fenton's translation of Genesis 1: 1:

"By Periods God created that which produced the Suns; then that which produced the Earth."

### Process of Change

Here again, by Ferrar Fenton's unique choice of words, the idea of process requiring time is implied. Every astronomer knows that the great suns, or stars, are in the process of change. The stars and galaxies are moving away from each other at tremendous velocities, while new formations are in the continuing process of coming into being. In this connection the editorial titled "A Vanishing Universe" in DESTINY for April 1949 is of interest. It will not be until that is all completed and God's heavenly creation reaches perfection that the pattern God made will be fulfilled. Only time will answer the question as to when this will be. Perhaps it will not be until after the following prophecy has been fulfilled that it will be possible to understand the form the heavens will finally assume:

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat." (II Peter 3: 10.)

Ferrar Fenton translates this:

"But the day of the Lord will approach like a thief, when the skies will pass away with a crash, and their constituents will be dissolved by heat."

Moffatt renders it:

"The Day of the Lord will come like a thief, when the heavens will vanish with crackling roar, the stars will be set ablaze and melt."

Smith and Goodspeed offer a different rendering:

"The Day of the Lord will come like a thief; on it the heavens will pass away with a roar, the heavenly bodies will burn up and be destroyed."

The whole meaning of this passage will have to await the day of fulfillment to be entirely understood. However, it is clear that great and awe-inspiring events are on the agenda and scheduled to occur in the near future as the creative processes continue.

### Unsolvable Questions

When God formed man He tells us the fashioning was of the dust of the ground, but we are not told from whence came the substance out of which the earth was formed. Was it "star dust" or the condensation of highly volatile gasses? We do not know, but if God had given us this information it would have settled questions which have stirred astronomers and scientists from time immemorial, about which they have adopted first one theory and then another as to how the earth came into being. Perhaps if God had provided this information, it would have been too easy to believe in Him as the Creator of the heavens, the earth and man. Our loyalty to Him is to be based upon faith, not on the explanations of science.

### Created and Formed

We may therefore conclude that it is incorrect to say that God *created* man of the dust of the ground. The creating process was His mental image by which He had made what was to be; then he formed man according to the pattern as expressed in Genesis 2: 7. For God, whose thoughts are perfect, the creative act could be performed very quickly, while the resulting formation of the substance of that creation might require centuries for its completion. We do not even know the time involved in the forming of man from the dust of the ground. Not all of the facts are told; obviously they are purposely hidden from us.

### New Heaven and New Earth

Isaiah informs us that the earth was established, indicating the placing of it in its permanent orbital course around

the sun, as well as the completion of its formation, introducing vegetation, animal and human life upon the globe. Isaiah also tells us that God has already created the pattern of the New Heaven and the New Earth:

"For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind. But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy." (Isa. 65: 17-18.)

Because God had already created the New Heaven and the New Earth, the form of that creation could be shown in vision to John on the Isle of

Patmos. Seeing it, the Apostle exclaimed:

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away." (Rev. 21: 1.)

The creation of this New Heaven and New Earth came into being in the mind of God many ages ago, but as yet it has not become visible to His people. Throughout the centuries He had been moving to bring it into being and give actual form and substance to the created pattern.

In the process of preparing for its manifestation, His people Israel were formed into His Kingdom nation at Mount Sinai. Here was set up the gov-

ernment destined later to administer the affairs of the Kingdom when the created joy planned for Jerusalem will actually be experienced in the new order of the ages.

The organization of the Church at Pentecost was a further step in this process, for Spirit-filled men and women are to be selected from this assembly to furnish leaders to rule in righteousness when the present order has passed away.

Thus we see that a full understanding of the definition of terms and their correct use in relation to the step-by-step unfolding of God's plan enables us to comprehend the majestic sweep of Divine revelation.

## The Meaning of the Soviet Peace Offensive

By T. NORWID

THE DICTATORS in the Kremlin do not always speak directly even when addressing their own people in the world at large. The most important declarations do not always come from Stalin, Molotov or some other Communist star. Instead, the Kremlin orders some less important party leader to speak or write. Formerly Marshall Tito used to be entrusted with such honorable duties. Now that he has become "a mortal enemy of Communism" and "a Fascist dog," it seems that Poland's President Bierut is to be the one to make the will of the Kremlin known.

In the last days of April the Central Committee of the Polish Communist Party had a meeting at which President Bierut read a paper on "the Tasks of the Party in the Struggle for Peace." The paper gave a general survey of the international situation from the Communist point of view and came forward with such carefully formulated principles that it would seem impossible to believe that they had not been approved beforehand by Moscow. The aim of the people's democracies is to restore the sovereignty and independence of even the defeated States, said Bierut. Such restoration can torpedo the unity of the Western bloc (i.e., destroy that factor which the Communists fear most).

According to Bierut many signs give to hand that the Soviet policy may be successful. An economic crisis is in the offing in the USA; the colonial policy of the Western powers is badly shaken owing to the Communist victory in China and liberation movements in the rest of Asia.

Two new political factors have originated in the West, which might be dangerous to Communism from an ideological and economic point of view. The first of these is the Western attempt to build up "a planned capitalism" in order to escape economic crises. In this connection Beirut launched several fierce attacks on ERP. The other factor is the evolution of federative and cosmopolitan ideas which have a great attraction for the Western nations and may become dangerous. Therefore, the main object of the Communists must be at any price to prevent the capitalists from achieving united political leadership. Discord among the capitalist states eliminates both dangers: economic plan-

ning as well as cosmopolitan consolidation movements.

The Communists, continued Bierut, must remember that Western unity has developed as a result of fear of Communism. As soon as this fear abates, the Western powers will fall out among themselves. The West fears war; hence the Communists must introduce large scale peace offensives and weaken the psychic tension which has caused the consolidation of the capitalist world. The economic structure of the West makes it impossible for the people to live for any length of time under the pressure of tension and fear. This is possible only in Communist countries where the forces of resistance are unlimited. As a logical consequence, the Communist parties of the world must mobilize all the available political forces, especially the non-Communist ones, for a campaign for peace.

The mental, political and economic unity of the West must be broken down. Anglo-American, Anglo-French, French-German *etc.*, disagreements must be fostered. The most important thing, of course, is to animate and develop disagreements between Europe and the USA.

The immediate tasks of the party were formulated by President Bierut as follows:

- 1) Intensified class struggle. All the hostile elements must be purged from the party.
- 2) The struggle against foreign agents is to be reinforced. Special attention is to be paid to "agents of foreign powers" in the administration and industrial life.
- 3) The people's democracies must do their best to fight against so-called economic sabotage.
- 4) The armed forces must be strengthened.
- 5) The party to be consolidated and give attention to non-party citizens (meaning that police terror is to increase).
- 6) The religious elements must be won over to the peace campaign.

President Beirut gave a plain enough answer to the question exercising Western politicians: What is the meaning of Moscow's present appeasement tendencies? This answer is: Intensification of the cold war.

— From *Newsletter From Behind the Iron Curtain*

# REVIEW OF WORLD AFFAIRS

By KENNETH de COURCY

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**A**LTHOUGH THE Kremlin chiefs consider themselves to be, in fact, at war, there was never the slightest possibility of a general military conflict between 1945 and 1950. The two wars which have been and are still being fought (in China and Greece), and Russia's idea of political and economic war in the West, never invalidated and do not now invalidate that proposition.

There never was danger of war until some time between 1950 and 1960, and only then because Russia will be disappointed in her hopes. Our information leads us to suppose that she will move in the Middle or Near East to redress the balance of power. We cannot repeat this too often. A careful study of the situation there makes the thing pretty clear. Our information leaves no room for doubt. This is one of the most documental cases in history. It is, therefore, most important to take counter measures in advance so that such a move cannot succeed. Those who were completely wrong about the dangers of a war between 1945 and 1950 are again misleading public opinion by saying that the whole game has been won. It has hardly yet started.

While keeping up morale at home and in the satellite countries, it wants to encourage outsiders to think that Russia is weakening. The more optimistic the outside world becomes, the less will it rearm, and, in the meantime, it is firmly believed that the economic crisis will slowly give Russia all she wants.

On the Atlantic side there has been far too little study of the weakness of Russia. Secret political action by the Atlantic Powers could get very near to blowing up the whole Soviet system. In war it could certainly do so. The subject is too secret for full discussion. Many encouraging facts cannot be revealed. It is necessary, however, to say that if the Atlantic Powers showed more enterprise, political action might prove worth more than fifty divisions and several atomic bombs.

The full and true story of what really happened in Russia in the first few months of the last war has never yet been told. It is a story which deserves the closest study. Only large American and British supplies, superimposed upon German stupidity, saved things and made a world-wide impression of strong, united Russia. If the facts were told, it is doubtful if even now the public would believe them. Yet the story could hardly be more important or relevant.

## *Difficulties in China*

The difficulties which the Communists now face are the very difficulties which made administration under the National Government so appalling a task, and which gave U.N.R.R.A. a headache. China is like a telephone exchange with the main cables cut. One picks up the 'phone and talks, but one seldom knows whether or not there is a listener at the far end of the line, or, indeed, if there is any

far end. The instrument which should be there may have been stolen! Again, the peculiar "morality" of the Chinese, which makes a wrong right if it is done for the welfare of the family, leaves one in a continuous haze.

But the picture may change if Russia throws administrative skill and police weight behind the Chinese Communists. If she does, China may pass through a phase she has never known before. In China there are lively brains, clever fingers, great physical endurance and plenty of courage. These things need only the application of experienced governing wisdom and of adequate authority (with teeth in it) to make the Chinese stand up and learn team play.

The Communist leaders — particularly Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai — understand team work and decentralization of detail better than do (or did) the National Government leaders. In this they will have to face the stubborn resistance to authority and the inborn individualism which make the Chinese so hard to regiment. China's dawn has not yet come, though a powerful Soviet is trying to make use of the aggressive spirit of the Communist armies and leadership, and it is at that point where grave danger to the Atlantic Powers now lies.

## *French Indo-China*

If Indo-China is to be saved, several immediate and heroic measures must be taken. There must be an immediate international recognition of the regime of Emperor Bao Dai by all the Western Powers, with full diplomatic representation. The French must make it clear that under international guarantee they are willing to carry out their agreements with the Emperor, as soon as the foreign threat shall be removed. Widespread economic help should be extended to the new regime, if possible within the framework of President Truman's plan for helping backward countries. The importance of "face" in all eastern affairs must steadily be kept in mind.

The French forces should be increased, and, if necessary, given international support. Any withdrawal of forces at this juncture would be suicide. It may be very hard to hold Tonking, but if the forces of Ho-Chi-minh could be weeded out in the south, due to the defection of the Nationalists, a line could be established from the northern border of Laos straight to the sea, a line on which the Communists could be brought to a standstill.

Those on the spot are doubtful whether these measures will be taken; but it must be remembered that the fall of Indo-China would mean not only the end of East Asia, but would affect India as well. Unless something drastic is done without delay, the catastrophe may be only a few months away.

## *Trends in Britain*

Some of those behind the scenes have been shocked by the remarkable contrast between what Sir Stafford Cripps

says off the record and what he says in public. It is felt that the difference goes beyond accepted usage. This is reducing his prestige. Like the whole Cabinet, Cripps faces an impossible task. Cabinet meetings which were becoming more and more anxious now verge on councils of secret despair.

The reason is not that Britain's economic position is hopeless, but that the political position of the Cabinet is rapidly becoming so. Confusion is likely to increase, and will end in a first-class political crisis combined with an economic one.

Thus, Mr. Attlee's team is caught in a crisis from which it will be almost impossible to escape. The pressure is going to increase. In all likelihood we shall see presently a political crisis of first magnitude. In the meantime the Cabinet is receiving pessimistic reports from the constituencies about electoral prospects. It is known that very large numbers of the technician class and skilled workers who voted Labor in 1945 are now openly hostile to the Government and say they intend to vote Tory.

In the considered judgment of many first-class observers the economic crisis will not smash Britain, but will be severe enough to destroy a great many popular ideas. Britain is on the verge of immense changes in thought. There are reasons for thinking that this change will develop swiftly and spread far, powerfully affecting world affairs.

The startling measures suggested by certain influential people are prefaced by a general proposition: Incentive seems a proven essential. Even in the most exalted religious experience it is a supreme factor. Incentive has never been replaced at any time in history by anything except force. Short of incentive or force the human achievement is seldom notable.

It is stressed in high Conservative circles that the economic situation created by the war and Socialism will force the next Government to devalue the pound if it is not done by this one.

So far as Britain is concerned these present troubles may do for her people what the Peninsular War did for the British Army (its privation gave every famous regiment the traditions which twice brought victory over Napoleon, as well as in 1919 and 1945). While there is plenty of cause for immediate disquiet, there is every reason to think that this economic and social crisis will end in a renaissance in which America and Britain will both play leading parts, and from which the whole human family is going to derive immense benefits.

### *Australia*

Australia merits much more attention than is paid to it by the United Kingdom and America. Two outstanding movements are combining to raise very greatly the national status of this country. These are the continued expansion of secondary industry and flood of immigration.

Both are without parallel in Australia's history and, in a short period of years, their effects should become apparent. A third important factor is the British Government's coöperation in the development of food production and defense industries in Australia.

British industrialists are playing their part in the extension of industry in Australia, while people from the United Kingdom are prominent in the ranks of newcomers, most of the remainder being from the Baltic countries. Australia,

like Canada and almost the whole African Continent, is going to become very much more wealthy and her influence will be great.

### *Latin America*

That the Soviets are interested in Latin America is best shown by the increasing space devoted by their Press to its affairs. The attempted revolution in the Dominican Republic on June 19 was inspired by Communist elements and helped by the Caribbean Legion. It failed, owing to the loyalty of the Dominican population to the present regime of Dictator General Trujillo, to insufficient planning, and to the fact that the invasion forces were reported well in advance by the fairly good Dominican intelligence service. It must be understood, however, that this was but a first attempt and that others will follow.

Preparations are under way for a revolution in Nicaragua. The Communists are at the back of it. A satellite Government has recently furnished large quantities of arms for this move, through the influence of a diplomat of that country, who, it is alleged, recently broke with his Government and set up private business in Central America.

Russia has a powerful short-wave transmitter in Guatemala which is used for sending intelligence direct to Moscow. Special agents are known to disembark at Guatemalan ports and it is thought that there is at least one secret submarine refuelling base.

Guatemala is a center of Russian activity in a region of great strategic importance. It has become necessary to take far-reaching measures to counteract the work of the network of agents working from this base against the security of the U. S.

### *Czechoslovakia*

An historical struggle is being waged to the point of death between the Soviet and the Vatican. The public would be surprised if they knew just how powerful and angry were the forces involved. This is no ordinary thing. It is no mere repetition of periodical religious persecutions. It is a dispensational fight. Moreover, our intelligence leads us to the conclusion that in its next phases the Church is going to be heavily wounded and the See of Rome pressed to the point of extreme resistance.

Superimposed on, or parallel with this, is the fight (still much less severe than that between Vatican and Kremlin) of Christianity as a whole and the broadly dispersed forces of materialism which often culminate in a Communist expression.

These struggles are by far the most dramatic events of the century. They are due for wide extension and a sharper phase. The whole question will come more and more into the news, and people everywhere — many of them little interested in religion — will be, by events, forced to take sides. We think governments will be obliged to recognize this as a salient factor in the over-all situation.

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# Is Economic Ruin Inevitable?

By C. R. DICKEY

## PART I

### *What is Money?*

ALTHOUGH ECONOMIC RUIN is highly probable, it is not inevitable. It can be averted. The outcome depends upon whether or not Anglo-Saxon peoples *as a whole* are willing to take the steps required to turn the tide of a threatening financial collapse.

We say this despite the fact that the complex machinery of another worldwide depression, still more calamitous than the last one, is in gear and already on the move. This movement is evident in the stream of reports on world economy now being fed daily through various newsgathering agencies to newspapers, radio networks and magazines with large circulations. These reports are conflicting and evasive. They are not understandable — and they are not meant to be. They are framed to create fear and confusion; their aim is to inoculate the citizenry with a hopeless case of jitters in preparation for the final “take over.”

Practically all lines of legitimate enterprise are showing symptoms of an inexplicable creeping paralysis. Business men are aware of the symptoms, but do they know the cause? Men with well established businesses are afraid to expand, and only a few intrepid optimists, here and there, dare to start some new business venture. Yet when capital is idle, jobs decrease and unemployment increases proportionately, until a national or world crisis may be precipitated. This is a simple fact, easy to grasp, when not shrouded in mystery by the jargon of the so-called “liberal” economists.

What, then, causes these crippling cycles of depression? Are they beyond the control of man, like sunshine, rain and earthquakes? Or does somebody deliberately plan them? If they come through the schemes of men, how are they carried out, and who profits by them? Thoughtful men and women of good intentions, who want a free and decent world to live in, *must* find the answers to these questions *soon* or it will be too late to counteract the death-blow of an unprecedented economic collapse.

There is no better way to determine what is causing today's emerging monetary crisis than to find out what has caused previous panics and depressions in this country. But first it is essential to review the function of a monetary system. What is money anyway? And what kind of money is honest and beneficial to all the people? These questions can best be answered by quoting somewhat at length from Gertrude M. Coogan's excellent book, *Money Creators*, permission for which has been kindly granted by the author. Summarizing the function and principles of money, Miss Coogan writes:

“The people constituting a nation produce and must exchange goods and services with each other. If primitive barter is to be avoided, a convenient mechanism or ticket system must be used. In the last analysis, money is the people's bookkeeping reduced to its simplest possible form. It has been ably defined as follows: Money is the *nothing* you get for *something* before you can get *anything*.”

“Let us consider the meaning of this definition: Money is nothing. It is a piece of paper inherently worth nothing but which entitles you, upon surrendering it, to claim some valuable goods. You receive it (unless you are one of the privileged who has a right to create it) by giving up your time and services in some productive enterprise. If you are working for a weekly wage, you gave up so many hours a day, and so much of your mental and physical energy in the production of something useful to society. The money you received in return for your work is of no value to you until you give it up for some physical goods or service.

“All producers give up their time and energy to help provide goods and services useful to society. The things which they produce, but do not themselves consume, are made available for society as a whole. They give up goods of value for *nothing* but a claim to receive other goods upon demand.

“Money is a demand claim on physical goods or services. The amount of demand claims (money) must bear a scientific relation to the amount of consumer goods produced and ready for consumption. If the amount of demand claims is either de-

creased or increased, the holders of demand claims are either secretly benefited or secretly robbed. If a given volume of consumer goods are in the hopper ready for consumption, and some ‘mysterious’ force increases the number of demand claims in the possession of the people, each dollar's worth of demand claims will be exchangeable for a relatively smaller part of the physical units of goods; in other words, prices will rise and each demand claim becomes exchangeable for physical goods or services of less value. If the opposite takes place — the number of demand claims is suddenly and ‘mysteriously’ decreased — the reverse situation prevails. . . .

“In order to bring into existence a medium of exchange, which is acceptable everywhere in the land, honesty demands that money be the creation of a representative body which has been authorized by the people to act for them in this respect. The Constitution of the United States is so written, but by perversion, the body authorized by the people to perform that most important function, has abdicated its powers, surrendering them against the expressed will of the people to private individuals; thus giving to privileged persons a right which properly belongs to all. This right has been gained through trickery and stealth, as is perfectly obvious to any one who will study the methods through which monetary legislation has been put through Congress. . . .

“The question is, therefore, since all money or purchasing power must come into existence by the act of man, who shall be entitled to so act and thus be given the original power to purchase what the new money will buy? Obviously, such original purchasing power should rest with the people at large. The people at large, in civilization, act through government.

“It is their government which should first create the money, and all of the people should have the benefit of its original purchasing power. Only the people, as a whole, should share the benefits and the advantages involved in a change in the volume of money in existence in a nation. By placing this first buying power in the government, the benefits fall to all of the people, for by whatever amount the new money is issued, tax collections may be correspondingly reduced.

“This statement can be twisted into the thought that taxes can be abolished by merely issuing money *ad infinitum*. This is

fallacious, for new money should be paid into use (circulation) only as the total stock of consumer goods — the things the people have produced and need in civilization — has been increased by expanded production. . . . It should be injected into general use (circulation) via the government buying with it whatever is authorized by the people's will, expressed in law.

"It requires nothing more than a knowledge of simple arithmetic and the possession of plain common sense to see that as a nation grows, and its people, through science and invention, are able to produce more goods and services in civilization, more money is needed to effect the changes." (From pp. 330-333.)

The wealth of any nation consists of its land, minerals, homes, food supplies, clothing, factories, railroads, utilities, *et cetera*. They may be classified as follows:

a) Consumer goods, or perishable goods. These are the physical things which are consumed in daily living, such as food, clothing and fuel.

b) Capital assets used in the production and distribution of consumer goods, such as farm implements, factory equipment, trucks and railroad cars. While these are not consumed daily like food, they do wear out and must be replaced eventually.

Money is not real wealth and should never be regarded or used as a commodity. Its function is to serve as a medium of exchange and to determine the relative values of the goods and services to be exchanged. Therefore:

"A money system is a mechanical means set up to facilitate production of goods and their distribution to individuals. To give money anything but an exchange function permits perversion."

"The total money in a community or a nation, that is, the total demand claims, should bear a scientific relation to the total consumer goods which the members of that community or nation have produced and have in the hopper ready for human consumption at any particular time. Remember, money is a demand claim.

"The quantity of money in a nation should not increase or decrease excepting as the physical consumer wealth increases or decreases. As producers grow more efficient and produce more physical goods available for human consumption, then of course, there should be a bigger money supply, because money is the only practical medium known to our civilization by which goods available for use may be moved from producers to consumers. This theory is so simple that it has taken innumerable lies, propagated through os-

tensibly respectable channels — such as business schools, text books, 'Economic Research Bureaus,' newspapers, *etc.* — to conceal the fundamental truth. The misinformation was originated and propagated by the few — for selfish ulterior purposes — to keep the American people steeped in the falsehood that the trouble with our economic system is something 'mysterious'; too deep for any but the erudite few to understand.

"It is all-important to remember that money now takes various forms. The functions are one, but the forms differ. In the United States the two principal forms of money are bank deposits (created by bankers lending their promises-to-pay which are subject to checking), and paper currency, which is tangible. Gold and silver tokens also exist but they play a very minor part in the actual conduct of every day business. People commonly use silver coins, but gold coins, under the present law, cannot be held by ordinary private American citizens." (*Money Creators*, pp. 110-11.)

Only the Government of a nation can provide a constitutional and safe system of money. Honest money must be created by the imprint of a Sovereign State and paid into circulation as government expenditures. Money thus created and paid into use is *interest-free at its source*. As the production of a nation rises, more money is needed for proper distribution, as we have seen. It is obvious that additional money issued and put into circulation for some government operation must bear a direct relation to the growth of actual needs and production, or the purchasing power of all money outstanding would be diluted. However, this ratio could be easily maintained by conscientious statesmen. "Any increase or decrease in the flow of money should be the function of the people acting through their duly elected representatives, Congress, and it should affect all producers of wealth in exactly the same manner." *How Are Depressions Made?*

### *International Money-changers At Work*

"The Congress shall have power: to coin money, regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin" — so reads Article 1, Section 8, Part 5, of the Constitution of the United States.

Our founding fathers were wise and farsighted men. They knew the danger of allowing the control of our nation's money system to fall into the hands of a few scheming individuals. Therefore, as a means of preserving our

civilization, they placed that power in the hands of Congress, the elected representatives of all the citizens. Knowing well the basis of a scientific and honest money system, the authors of our Constitution decreed that Congress *alone* shall coin and regulate the value of the nation's money; this latter stipulation requires Congress to control the purchasing power of all the money in the nation. Unfortunately, few realize the importance of this regulation. It is at this very point that unscrupulous manipulators, if permitted to do so, can produce sudden changes in the purchasing power of money and bring on ruinous depressions.

Under the Constitution, Congress has no right whatever to delegate this authority to private individuals. As Miss Coogan points out:

"The entire proposition is reducible to this: Should the Congress be compelled to exercise the power given it by the Constitution to issue our money on a scientific basis, *i.e.*, in accordance with the volume needed for the Nation's welfare; or should the privilege be left, as now, in private hands to be manipulated for their own selfish purposes and to the Nation's 'ill-fare'?"

"Why should a few private individuals form a corporation, call it a Bank, and thereafter manufacture our money? That right certainly resides primarily in the people, who granted it to Congress. Congress, in violation of the Constitution, passed it on to a *privileged* few. . . . Before the advent of private money-creating power, if any private individual created money and caused the imprint of a government to be put upon it, he was guilty of counterfeiting. . . .

"One cannot give up what one does not possess. If that right existed primarily in the people, it resided secondarily in their Government, and only through unconstitutional delegation by Congress of that power, in the hands of a favored few. Congress *cannot* relinquish that power, given it by the people, through the Constitution, any more than it can give up what it does not possess.

"Certainly the right of the Government to issue money is superior to any right of the few, and the Government must withdraw from the few whatever money-manufacturing powers it has previously granted. It is a duty we owe ourselves, our dependents and our children, to demand of our Congress that it recall the privilege from private hands and exercise its constitutional mandate." (pp. 260-61.)

Knowledge is not only power; it is sometimes life itself. And it is truly a matter of life or death to America, as

we know it, for its citizenry to learn the simple facts about an honest constitutional monetary system. John Adams wrote to Thomas Jefferson in 1787:

"All the perplexities, confusion and distress in America arise, not from defects in their Constitution or Confederation, not from want of honor or virtue, so much as from downright ignorance of the nature of coin, credit and circulation."

NOW LET US review a few events — not found in any of our history textbooks — to learn the way in which a relatively small clique has been able to take over the control of America's money and resources.

In 1606, the English Crown granted to the Virginia colonists their first charter to establish a colonial government. The Crown encouraged its citizens to undertake settlements in America and granted them charters on liberal terms. Each colony was free to make its own laws and each had its own Assembly. Originally the English Parliament exercised no power over the colonists. The Crown even relinquished its power over the money of the colonies, according to Article X of the first charter of Virginia:

"And that they shall, or lawfully may, establish and cause to be made a coin, to pass current there between the People of those several Colonies, for the more ease of traffic and bargaining amongst them and the natives there, of such metal and in such manner and form, as the said Councils shall there limit and appoint."

The paragraph below, from the first charter of Massachusetts granted in 1628, shows the freedom extended to colonies to make their own laws:

"And we do ordain that once in the year . . . the governor, deputy governor and assistants and all other officers of the said company, shall be assembled to make, ordain or establish all manner of wholesome and reasonable orders, laws, statutes, ordinances, directions and instructions, not contrary to the laws of this our realm of England."

The following words imprinted on one of the early state notes of Massachusetts illustrates how well those wise colonists understood the principles of an honest monetary system:

"This indented bill for ten shillings, due from the Massachusetts Colony to the Possessor, shall be in value equal to money, and shall be accordingly accepted by the Treasurer, and Receivers subordinate to him, in all public payments, and for any stock at any time in the Treasury. Boston

in New England, December the 10th, 1690. By order of the General Court."

Here we have the American colonies creating convenient paper money and paying it into use as legal tender at a time when the mother country was still using wooden tallies as legal tender. Colonial money, being issued and paid into circulation by the colonial government, was not subject to sudden fluctuation in purchasing value; it was not founded on bonds; therefore, the colonists had no bonded indebtedness; and, furthermore, being interest-free at the point of origin, it was not subject to manipulation. Consequently, with an economic order in which the law of supply and demand could function normally, the prosperity of early colonial days was limited only by the ability of those sturdy and industrious pioneers to produce goods to trade.

Strangely enough, while the colonies were enjoying the benefits of lawful money, England was falling into the clutches of international gold brokers. In 1688, these money-changers staged a revolution in England to lay the foundation of the deceptively named "Bank of England." By 1694 their private bank gained its special privileges, set up a Board of Trade and launched its far-reaching, insidious work.

Under the guise of a disputed succession to the throne of England, "the gold gang forced William III to legalize their previous subrosa practice, thereby legalizing the system by means of which the gold worshipers could periodically despoil all producers and workers."

In his book, *The Breakdown of Money*, Christopher Hollis gives us the following illustration of the method used by seventeenth century international bankers:

"In 1694 the Government of William III was in sore straits for money. A company of rich men under the leadership of one William Paterson offered to lend William 1,200,000 pounds at 8 per cent on the condition that 'the Governor and Company of the Bank of England,' as they called themselves, should have the right to issue notes to the full extent of its capital. That is to say, the Bank got the right to collect 1,200,000 pounds in gold and silver and to turn it into 2,400,000 pounds, lending 1,200,000 pounds, the gold and silver, to the Government, and using the other 1,200,000 pounds, the banknotes, themselves. Paterson was quite frank about it that this privilege which had been given to the Bank was a privilege to make up money. 'If the proprietors of the Bank,' he wrote, 'can circulate their

own fundation of twelve hundred thousand pounds without having more than two or three hundred thousand pounds lying dead at one time with another, this Bank will be in effect as nine hundred thousand pounds or a million of fresh money brought into the nation.' In practice they did not keep a cash reserve of nearly two or three hundred thousand pounds. By 1696 we find them circulating 1,750,000 pounds worth of notes against a cash reserve of 36,000 pounds.

"Intelligent critics saw that the experiment had proved that it was perfectly possible to manufacture money without any metallic backing but that it was dangerous and iniquitous to allow the privilege of that manufacture to be in private hands."

It is to be expected that so rich a plum as the fast-growing American colonies would not escape the attention of covetous Internationalists. A few paragraphs from *Money Creators* are most enlightening on this subject:

"Our early history books strangely omit the facts that for some years prior to 1773 the British Parliament had busied itself annulling the laws under which the American Colonies had exercised their fundamental right to create and issue their own money. Much is said about Taxation without Representation, but what underlies that phrase is omitted. The fact is that the Bank 'of England' manipulators, having gained control over British industry through frequent depressions, cast their greedy eyes on the commerce and industry of America, and set to work to lay hold of the money of the Colonies, and, hence, the industry of the Colonists.

"Meyer Amschel, of Frankfort-on-the-Main, entered the scene. He conceived the idea of enlisting young men as mercenary troops, painting to them the glories of military service, etc. When King George III was unable to secure British soldiers to fight their cousins across the Atlantic, he went to the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel, at Hanau, near Frankfort. George III paid \$20,000,000 to the Landgrave for approximately 16,800 Hessian mercenaries (\$1,200 per head) who had been organized and trained by Meyer Amschel. The Landgrave loaned this twenty million to Meyer Amschel at a low rate of interest for ten years.

"It is well known that the foreign borrowing of funds for the American Revolution was accomplished through the efforts of Robert Morris. It is not so well known (although it is boasted of by some historians) that Robert Morris secured his funds from Haym Solomon. It is furthermore stated that although Soloman 'gave' everything he had to the American Revolution, he still remained the richest man in America!

"Those who know anything of international banker solidarity will appreciate

immediately that Meyer Amschel (whose family of five sons and five daughters took the name of Rothschild from the Red Shield which hung in front of Meyer's shop in Frankfurt as his trade-mark) loaned the money to Solamon, which was in turn loaned through Robert Morris to the American Colonies. Thus, George III paid for the American Revolution and the international financiers played both ends against the middle; no matter who lost, they won, and lives were sacrificed on both sides.

"The greed of the 'English' financiers had brought on the American Revolution, and it was money-changers in other quarters who facilitated the financing. . . . These facts are stated to show that the greed of international money was rampant then, as now. They created the trouble between the Colonies and the British Empire by their greed, and then profited from the trouble created.

"The entire attempt to usurp the rights of the Colonists was laid along such lines as would serve the banking interests, by at last bringing the Americans economically to their knees. High prices were placed upon British manufactures sent to the Colonists, though there was 'over-production' at home. This drained the Colonists of specie obtained by trade with other nations. An embargo was laid upon commerce with other nations than England, which then made it impossible for the Americans to obtain the specie with which to pay English manufacturers, who were already by this time mere factory managers for the bankers, as many of our 'princes of industry' are in the present day. This forced American borrowing from the bank overseas, and the building up of bonds and interest in acknowledgment thereof.

"The money of the Colonial Governments was abolished by laws passed in violation of the American charters by the English Parliament. The bankers did not even want the Colonists to be able to trade among themselves without paying tribute across the Atlantic in interest on the promises of the Bank 'of England,' which they were thus forcing the Americans to borrow for home use in trading.

"The Stamp Act of March 22, 1765, was not only taxation without representation, which the Colonists *could* have borne with nothing but a loss of dignity; but its terms demanded that the stamps must be paid for in *specie* (gold), which they did not have and were not allowed to obtain by trading with alien nations. The trap was set so that they would have to borrow from the Bank 'of England' at interest in order to pay the tax. Do our school histories explain this?

"The objective was to force tribute by the Americans on the Bank 'of England's' fictitious and dishonest money creations. [Benjamin] Franklin shows how it required twenty years to corrupt sufficiently the House of Commons to cause the passage of the laws desired by the Bank 'of England,'

which were a direct usurpation of the rights granted by the Crown to the Colonial assemblies. Willing Kings had granted those rights a hundred years before — several generations before the money creators usurped money powers in England." (From pp. 181-183.)

It was for the purpose of throwing off the yoke of international finance that a Colonial Congress met in Philadelphia and issued, on July 4, 1776, The Declaration of Independence. As a result of this Declaration, and the victorious war which followed it, the international Bank of England gold control was broken for a time. It was for the purpose of keeping America forever free from such control that Franklin, Jefferson and their valiant co-workers wrote into the very first Article of our Constitution these significant words:

"The Congress shall have power: to coin money, regulate the value thereof and of foreign coin."

The first violation of the new Constitution was accomplished in 1791, when the so-called "Bank of the United States" was given a forty-year charter. It was patterned after the Banks "of England," "of France," "of Italy" — all privately owned by Internationalists, who had usurped the sovereign right of issuing and regulating the value of money.

Who was the key man used by the money-changers to betray young America into their hands? He was none other than that "greatest Secretary of the Treasury" of our history books, Alexander Hamilton. While it is no secret that a hatred existed between Hamilton and Jefferson, few have ever learned the cause of their antagonism. Briefly it was this: Jefferson, like Franklin, worked to place the control of money issue and volume permanently in the hands of the people through Congress; Hamilton worked to transfer that control to the international bankers of England and Europe. The battle between them continued for more than ten years and ended tragically in Hamilton's victory over Jefferson. Thus Hamilton's system of *perpetual debt*, *interest-bearing bonds*, and a *strong centralized government* — for the benefit of a small but powerful financial clique — fastened itself like a gigantic leech to the young Republic.

The following information regarding Hamilton's background, not only helps to understand the man himself, but gives the clue as to how his pro-

gram ties in with the present super-government of Internationalists now operating so detrimentally in Washington, D. C.:

"Hamilton was born in the West Indies. For at least two years after his birth, his mother, Rachel, was married to one Levine, a wealthy planter. Hamilton claimed that he was born January 11, 1757, but even a friendly biographer states that this may be doubted on the ground that this date would credit him with impossible precocity.

"His mother, Rachel, was unfaithful, and Levine divorced her in 1759. Rachel then went to James Hamilton; and her son, Alexander, changed his name, a common practice among money-changers. He grew up crowned with ability, but cursed with an inferiority complex, which accounted for his savage determination to rule. . . .

"From 1777 to February 1781, Alexander Hamilton was on General Washington's staff handling commissary affairs. During this time he was studying *The Wealth of the Nations* by Adam Smith, which had been given to him by his mysterious 'discoverer,' whose identity has never been disclosed. . . .

"During the time when Hamilton was in General Washington's service, he was writing letters to influential men discussing economics. Even at that time, he was preparing to inject his (that is, Adam Smith's) ideas of government and finance into the new nation which was being born in the struggle with England. He already had formed definite ideas for a privately owned central bank. He based his plan on the Bank 'of England,' the great private privileges of which he so admired, and on the doctrines of Adam Smith, the father of 'classical orthodox economics.'" (*Money Creators*, pp. 188, 190.)

Although Hamilton was later discharged by the group he had served so well, and though his "Bank of the United States" was closed when its charter expired, the illegal process of using "debt" for legal tender was propagated and strengthened by his shrewd successors.

The National Banking Act was passed in 1863, against the advice of Lincoln. By that Act Congress, in flagrant violation of the Constitution, delegated to certain rapacious financiers the privilege of issuing and controlling the nation's money. At the very time the National Bank Act was passed, President Lincoln was explaining to the people that "non-convertible paper money created on the authority of the United States Government was the only kind of currency that should be allowed." When he attempted to issue

constitutional money, he was violently opposed by the "Bullion Brokers," as the international bankers were called in his day. However, he continued to demand honest money "until he was silenced" — by whom?

The true history of the Civil War will never be known until the time comes in the providence of God, when He "will bring to light the hidden things of darkness" — the time to which Jesus Himself referred in Luke 12: 1-3:

"Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known. Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops."

Notwithstanding the suppression of truth, we do know a few things which shed light on the subject. From the time Hamilton's bank charter expired, until the Civil War, international bankers had been unsuccessful in their efforts to set up a central bank in America through which they could manipulate the entire money system of the nation. To accomplish this purpose the Civil War was hatched in London in 1857, by certain bankers who agreed that "the Paris branch of one group would support and finance the South, and the British branch of the same group would take the similar role for the North. Through clever propaganda they fostered the 'Slavery Issue.' The real issue was to divide the United States against itself and so weaken the Republic that it could eventually be divided among the internationalists for exploitation."

Unless one is totally blind to the trend of current events, he will see the same sinister motive back of the agitation now being promoted among our negro population.

Because the banking business of this country is still operating under the principles of the National Banking Act, it is necessary to acquaint ourselves with the method by which it became law and also the nature of its operation.

Fearing Lincoln's determination to issue Government currency, the international bankers had one of their agents prepare what is known as the infamous Hazard circular. In July, 1862, it was circulated among the Senators, Congressmen and money lenders of the United States. It ap-

proved the abolition of chattel slavery, to be sure, but only as a means to a worse form of slavery involving both white and black. Here also we find the initial steps for the present control of American labor by unscrupulous high-powered bosses. We quote two paragraphs from the Hazard circular:

"Slavery is likely to be abolished by the war power and chattel slavery destroyed. This I and my European friends are in favor of, for slavery is but the owning of labor and carries with it the care of the laborers, while the European plan, led by England, is that capital [Internationalists] shall control labor by controlling wages [that is, by destroying their purchasing power and creating unemployment].

"This can be done by controlling the money. The great debt [national] that capitalists will see to it is made out of the war, must be used as a means to control the volume of money. To accomplish this the bonds [war debts] must be used as a banking basis. We are now waiting for the Secretary of the Treasury to make this recommendation to Congress."

It was the job of Jay Cooke, "the great war financier, fiscal agent of the Government and general spokesman for the beneficiaries, to assume the somewhat difficult role of restating Hamilton's falsehood so as to fool the people again on the blessings of public debt." Here is Cooke's absurd proposal:

"We lay down the proposition that our national debt made permanent and rightly managed will be a national blessing. The funded debt of the United States is the addition of \$3,000,000,000 to the previously realized wealth of the nation. It is \$3,000,000,000 added to the available actual capital. To pay this debt would be to extinguish this capital and lose this wealth."

"Imagine the deception and audacity of Mr. Cooke. Wealth is a physical thing — resources, houses, farms, etc. He tried to tell the American people and did make some of them believe that debts of the taxpayers (government bonds) are wealth. They are not. Mr. Cooke received \$25,000 per year for repeating the lie and making it stick. . . .

"The 'National' Banking Act was enacted on February 25, 1863. It was then and is now known to be outrageous. The Act was misnamed 'National' to deceive the people. It was national only to the extent of using the nation's money issuance powers dishonestly. It gave national banks the power to issue the nation's currency. National banks under that act have power to issue currency (paper money) by simply depositing certain issues of government bonds with the United States Treasury and obtaining currency. Therefore, the pri-

vately owned national banks collect interest on bonds deposited with the Treasury but they pay no interest for the currency which is released to them. They keep only a 5% gold certificate reserve with the Treasury to take care of whatever currency might be presented for payment at the Treasury. Think this fallacious proposition through! Government bonds are taxpayers' promises-to-pay, secured by a first lien on all physical property within the nation and a first lien on national income, because Congress has the power to tax. These fully secured interest-bearing taxpayers' promises-to-pay are created by the Government and exchanged for privately-owned banks' promises-to-pay which are unsecured. These unsecured promises-to-pay of private individuals are borrowed by the United States Government. These private individuals' promises-to-pay are called money. Imagine a banking system which permits taxpayers' promises-to-pay to be exchanged for private individuals' promises-to-pay." (*Money Creators*, pp. 213-214.)

Regarding his opinion of the National Bank Act, Horace Greeley wrote in 1872:

"We have stricken the shackles from four million human beings and brought all laborers to a common level, not so much by the elevation of the former slaves as by practically reducing the whole working population, white and black, to a condition of serfdom. While boasting of our noble deeds, we are careful to conceal the ugly fact that by our iniquitous money system we have nationalized a system of oppression which, though more refined, is not less cruel than the old system of chattel slavery."

Writing of the period following the American Civil War, the German statesman Bismarck said:

"I fear that foreign bankers with their craftiness and tortuous tricks will entirely control the exuberant riches of America, and use it to systematically corrupt modern civilization. They will not hesitate to plunge the whole of Christendom into wars and chaos in order that the earth should become their inheritance."

NOW THAT WE have seen how the system of international control was firmly established in American finance and industry, let us watch the steps by which it maneuvered the Panic of 1873.

Originally, in England, both gold and silver were equally important parts of the money base. In the United States, from the adoption of the Constitution in 1789 until 1873, both gold and silver served equally as a money base. The combination of the two metals worked well for the people as a

whole, but it did not suit the purpose of the gold brokers. Meyer Amschel (Rothschild) had taught his five sons to induce all countries to adopt gold as a *single* basis for money. England capitulated and demonetized silver in 1818. But the United States was harder to convince, having within its borders some of the largest silver deposits in the world.

Nevertheless, through conniving and bribery, foreign bankers finally accomplished their purpose. In 1872, Ernest Seyd came from London, bringing with him the tidy sum of \$500,000. He came as a representative of "the Governors of the Bank of England," for the purpose of bribing American Congressmen to pass a law demonetizing silver. He was instructed to call upon the "Governors" for any amount of money required to get the job done. His success was stated in *The Banker's Magazine*, August 1873, as follows:

"In 1872, silver being demonetized in France, England and Holland, a capital of \$500,000 was raised and Ernest Seyd, of London, was sent to this country with this fund, as the agent of foreign bond-holders and capitalists, to effect the same object here, which was accomplished."

It is interesting to note how cleverly the sordid transaction was further disguised by this entry in the *Congressional Record* of April 1872, page 2032:

"Ernest Seyd, of London, a distinguished writer and bullionist, who is now here, has given great attention to the subject of mint and coinage. After having examined

the first draft of the bill, he made sensible suggestions which the committee adopted and embodied in the bill."

The vicious law was passed — thanks to Mr. Seyd's "sensible" suggestions. Silver was demonetized. And the result was such an immediate and drastic curtailment in the volume of money that the nation was thrown into a panic and a terrible depression that lasted for five years. Regarding the Panic of 1873, Senator Ferry of Michigan said:

"Millions of people were reduced from good circumstances to penury, or covered with debt, beneath which burden their backs must bend until it is unloaded at the grave, where an innocent posterity must take it up and bear it on."

President Grant, before his death, admitted that he had been misled in allowing a silver demonetization bill to become law.

By passing the Bland-Allison Act of 1878, Congress partially restored the monetary use of silver. Again the people became more prosperous, whereupon conspirators began to set the stage for the Panic of 1893. In the spring of 1891, while Benjamin Harrison was president, Internationalists prepared and circulated among bankers and other agents the following revealing "confidential" circular:

"We authorize our loan agents in the western States to loan our funds on real estate to fall due on September 1, 1894, and at no time thereafter. On September 1, 1894, we will not renew our loans under

any consideration. On September 1st we will demand our money. We will foreclose and become mortgagees in possession. We can take two-thirds of the farms west of the Mississippi, and thousands of them east of the great Mississippi as well, at our own price. . . . We may as well own three-fourths of the farms of the West and the money of the country. Then the farmers will become tenants as in England. After September 1st, the interest we receive on coupons will be accumulated. We will not lend any of our funds after that date, as we can make more money by withholding our interest income."

It is not necessary to comment on this diabolical plot, except to call attention first to the due date for loans — September 1st, 1894 — and to the fact that none of these loans were to be renewed; and, second, to the fact that the particular aim of this conspiracy was to ruin the well-to-do American farmers. Loans made in 1891 were due in 1894. The planned panic was effected on schedule in 1893. The fictitious "scarcity" of money, resulting from the premeditated withdrawal of credit by the international bankers, left most of the borrowers unable to pay their loans in September 1894. Then came the predicted foreclosures and sudden poverty, which many living yet experienced in the bitter hardships of their childhood days.

(Part II will trace the influence of Internationalists in the "Federal" Reserve System, the World Wars, and the post-war debacle. It will trace also the steps required to avert an approaching avalanche of disaster.)

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# Socialism: American Variety

By RALPH W. GWINN

ED. NOTE: Thoughtful citizens throughout our nation are becoming alarmed over the national trend towards state socialism. With deficit financing and a government program of spending and lending, there is ample cause for alarm, for inevitable economic disaster awaits us at the end of the present road we are following.

The Hon. Ralph W. Gwinn of New York, in an address in the United States House of Representatives, asked, "Why do more and more of our citizens feel helpless and inadequate to take care of themselves in the midst of the greatest production of income we have known?" He then proceeded to answer his own question and in doing so clearly establishes a national trend that may well cause thoughtful persons to be apprehensive. The following is Representative Gwinn's address as taken from the *Congressional Record* for April 9, 1949:

**W**E KNOW THAT OUR American Government has, in recent years, changed its character. It has become an overwhelming and omnipresent machine of controls and compulsions. It manages our money, credit, farming, rents and housing, foreign trade, social security, production, and education. This Federal Government management and control of us costs us about \$50,000,000,000 a year out of our total income of about \$200,000,000,000.

## *What Government Takes*

The Federal, State and local governments combined take one-third of everything we produce. That means that, as a people, we work for ourselves only 2 out of every 3 days. With a 40-hour work-week, we have less than 27 hours, or about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  days per week to produce our food, clothing, and shelter, and to maintain our health and education. It cannot be done. So, as a consequence, the people cry out in increasing millions for the Government to do for them what they are incapable of doing for themselves in  $3\frac{1}{2}$  days' work per week. The only cure that Government proposes is that of extending Government management, increasing taxes, and thus reducing even further the number of days in which the people can work for them-

selves in the management of themselves, their property, and their happiness. Such methods can only lead to scarcity and general poverty, as in Russia.

## *When Is a Country Socialist?*

Many enlightened scholars have expressed doubt as to whether any government can take more than 2 days in 10 from the people, or 20 percent of the nation's income, and still leave a people able to take care of themselves. Above that level, socialist management becomes inevitable. We must remember that as recently as 1930, London and Paris managed only 21 percent of their national economy; Berlin managed 22 percent and brought on national socialism 3 years later. Moscow, after 13 years of socialism, managed only 29 percent of the Russian economy. Can we be excused if we fail too to take to heart these facts and govern ourselves accordingly?

The present impact of this concentration of power in our Government is crushing the people now. Do you realize that we pay out more to Washington annually than we do to all of our 6,000,000 farmers for the food we eat? We pay in taxes  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times more to Washington to manage us than we pay in net income to all American corporations for all of their manufacturing, transporting, and other services to us.

## *Americans Managed by Government*

Government already owns one-fourth of all the land in the continental United States. It has also become the biggest employer in the world. It now has more than 2,000,000 civilian employees. They receive a cold half billion dollars per month, and they with their wives, parents, relatives, and dependents are naturally interested in seeing the pay-roll receipts continued by keeping one and the same party in power. Since by conservative estimate each Government employee guides or controls at least four votes, our citizens fight for freedom against a monstrous Central Government having 8,000,000

voters with a direct monetary interest in keeping one party continually entrenched in power.

This is not the whole story. Many, many more million citizens have become dependent upon payments, benefits, subsidies, and hand-outs. Already one out of every six adult Americans receives checks regularly from Washington. A United Press dispatch sets the figure at 15,830,899. If each check went to a different family, it would mean that 42.7 percent of our families now balance their budgets with money from Washington. Each year our tax burdens increase. Each year others join the ever-increasing ranks of the 15,830,899 who are directly dependent on Washington's management of their lives in whole or part.

## *First Marxist Concept*

The measures Marx outlined in the manifesto include abolition of private property, a heavy progressive income tax, centralization of credit in the hands of the Central Government, extension of Government ownership and production, and national control of the education of all children. Socialists the world over have acted in strict accordance with this 1848 dictum of Marx that "political power is merely the organized power of one class for oppressing another." Who can deny that we have followed and are now following these very precepts here in America?

The first and most important of these Marxist precepts came with your constitutional amendment of 1913, giving the Federal Government the right to tax individual incomes. Few persons then thought that it would become a transmission belt for the heavy progressive or graduated income tax, prescribed by Marx. Congress debated then in terms of a 1 or 2 percent tax at most. A 10-percent tax was considered preposterous. Yet we have had taxes which exceeded 90 percent and Washington today commonly takes more than three-quarters of the earnings of some of our most inventive and creative citizens. All of us are now liqui-

dated to the extent of 33⅓ percent of all of our annual income in taxes which are added to the price of everything we buy from houses to bread. For example, gasoline enters into every item of living costs. Without excise taxes, gasoline would sell, generally, for 14 cents a gallon; without income taxes, for much less than 14 cents. Taxes make living costs so high, especially to the low income group, that they cannot manage for themselves. Think of it, free Americans clamor for the socialist state, begging it for shelter, food, health and education. We too have our cynical Goebbels who knows that if you tax and tax, spend and spend, you can vote and vote the people into socialism anywhere in the world. They can be fooled into making little resistance to taxes if you begin by feeding them the delusion that the rich pay them. It is always the people who pay and carry the burdens.

### *Second Marxist Concept*

Washington took the second Marxist step in a big stride when it destroyed, or reduced by 41 percent, all of our national monetary values in 1933. It went off the gold standard. By that act it robbed everyone of 41 percent of his or her savings up to that time. It started to enrich others by printing paper money and issuing it in exchange for nothing of value. All of our people's savings were liquidated just as all socialist governments in Europe liquidated the property of their people. Thus 41 percent of the peoples' capacity to take care of themselves was destroyed by the Government forcibly taking away 41 percent of the value of their money and locking up all gold in the vaults of Fort Knox. Several millions of us became at once absolutely dependent on Washington.

### *Third Marxist Concept*

This became manifest first of all among the old people when Washington adopted the third Marxist pattern some years later. It compelled the people to pay to the Government their future savings for old age and survivor's pensions. There are now already 2,471,000 people receiving old age or survivor's social-security benefits. They have actually become the wards of Washington and, with 45,000,000 others who are, in this year of 1949, being compelled to pay the Government most of their savings in taxes, must depend on Government

for the management of all or a goodly part of their economic life.

Over a period of 12 or 14 years the unsuspecting citizens have paid their good dollars to Washington. The Government promised to reinvest for the security of all. It would be a Fair Deal. Instead of conserving and investing the people's savings, however, the Federal Government has spent and wasted nearly every dime of it on socialist experiments. It has dropped IOU's in the till — like any other embezzler — to take the place of the billions spent. The general taxpayers are further defrauded and liquidated by being compelled now to pay taxes to make good the Government's embezzlement. The original savings funds are gone and, therefore, constitute no security to the old people.

Besides all this the old people, once promised security, are getting paid in the Government-inflated dollars worth only 50 percent of the good dollars paid in. The old and the sick are being exploited. They are desolate, hungry, and on the relief rolls, robbed and liquidated among the first even in America, as was the case in every socialist state abroad.

So 41 percent of the people's savings up to 1934 have been liquidated. The old people's savings have been wasted. The savings of everybody else since 1934 have been cut in half by inflation and, on top of this criminal mismanagement, everybody is forced to pay out a third of his income in taxes.

### *Moral Confidence Gone*

In such a demoralized state of law and public morals private lenders will not give loans and private citizens will hesitate to borrow. So the Government walks into the vacuum created by it and starts doing business. By the end of 1947, Washington had made \$10,109,000,000 in loans, one-fourth of all the loans our 15,000 private banks made. Washington furnished 70 percent of all the money that has gone into new housing since the war, because private lenders have come to have so little faith in the integrity of our Government that they refused to lend for private building. They could not invest with confidence in the future, not knowing what the Government would do on rent control or Government housing. This is what happens when, to use the exact words of Marx and Lenin, "centralization of credit in the hands of the state" takes place.

Private trade and investment in every socialist nation are at a standstill for the same reason that free investment in housing and new business enterprises is stopped here. A moral collapse of the Government, causing the individual to lose faith in what his Government will do, breeds modern socialism everywhere. Since a Socialist government breeds and lives without any moral base, what is right and wrong is simply determined by an army of arbitrary commissars whose fanaticism is hardly subject to review. We are experiencing that situation now in agriculture, in export licenses, loans by Government, awarding of contracts to favorites, administration of rents to benefit tenants, allocation of space in Government houses to those who are faithful to the party, and so forth. Individual management and responsibility are drying up everywhere. They must of necessity cease. There is no 50-50, no, not even a 10-90 arrangement possible between socialism and freedom. One or the other must perish utterly. One is wrong and destroys confidence. The other is right and inspires confidence, invention, and production. One is compulsion, the other freedom.

### *Socialism Defined*

It is possible that most Americans have never stopped to define socialism. If we do not know what socialism is, how can we know when we have it? Socialism, simply stated, is Government ownership or Government management of the Nation's economy and the denial by the Government of the right and the capacity of individuals to manage themselves and their property. Socialists, fellow travelers, and Communists always move toward compulsion and violence and away from freedom. Socialism is directly opposed to American constitutional freedom.

### *Socialism at Work*

The field of housing illustrates what is happening to morals and confidence under compulsion in a most dramatic fashion: Washington already is the landlord of some 557,000 American families. Allowing four persons to a family, we have 2,300,000 people who are beholden to our central Government for living space. As in Europe, the ruling party sees to it that the voting booths are placed conveniently in the basements of such Government socialized housing. Alas, we have wit-

nessed how American voters living in socialized housing projects cast a 90 percent vote, or more, in favor of the controlling party that builds the houses.

We used to laugh when we heard about 80 or 90 percent voting in Fascist Italy for Mussolini, in Nazi Germany for Hitler, and in Communist Russia for Stalin. Now it is becoming an American pattern for the big city vote to swing elections for the party that controls rents, builds houses, and, thereby, owns the votes of the favored tenants. We too allocate living space NKVD American plan in exchange for loyalty to the party and the votes that keep the political party in power.

For all this building, the Government induces big lenders to invest in the certificates of participation by exempting them from Federal income taxes. It compels the municipalities to exempt the housing projects from local taxes for schools, streets, police, and other services. It then rents the Government apartments at about one-half price and charges the bill to the general taxpayers. Since the individual investor has no such power over other people's money, he cannot compete in any field that the Government enters.

Thus, Government housing kills confidence, moral sense, and all possibility of equal opportunity, equality of taxation, and justice before the law. The individual quits cold. The story of house building in France is told by Bertrand de Jouvenel in *No Vacancies*. When the protection of property rights was abandoned, the Government simply expropriated and divided up what houses there were. New building has ceased for 33 years. Cannot we learn either from our own experience or from that of Europe? Must we, as a nation, land in the prison house of Marxism?

### *Rental Housing Dries Up*

The general taxpayers are further liquidated. About 8,000,000 property owners, having saved over the generations of free American enterprise \$67,000,000,000 and invested it in 17,600,000 rental dwellings, are now forced by our Socialist-dominated Government to sell these dwellings at less than 60 percent of their values and quit business. Thus rental housing dries up just like the supply of shoes, shirts, dresses, and all sorts of foods dried up before OPA was repealed. Socialism never increases the supply of wanted

goods but reduces available supplies.

In 1948 the "for sale" dwellings were three and four times greater than in 1940. In August 1940 the *New York Times* advertised 6,322 houses, apartments, and apartment buildings for sale. In August 1948 it carried 23,036. The *Chicago Tribune* shot advertisements for sale of housing from 11,303 to 32,045; Los Angeles from 18,930 to 78,925 for the same period. This fantastic increase in the number of houses, apartments, and apartment buildings offered for sale is found in every big city. We had, according to the Census Bureau, over 4,000,000 more dwelling units in 1948 than we had in 1940, but we had more than 2,000,000 less for rent than we had in 1940.

### *Socialized Medicine*

Our socialists propose to continue the march down the road to Marxist serfdom by bribing our doctors to socialize health and medicine from Washington just as the British Marxist Government has done. The procedures are almost identical. Seven hundred and fifty thousand doctors, nurses, and hospital personnel would enter our Government employment and cease the free practice of medicine. Washington would guide and control it all, drying up the voluntary source of skill, mercy, health, and hospitalization. Multiply 750,000 by four and you get another group who will vote according to the promises of appropriations for their particular benefit. The less fit will grab \$8,000 a year in Government salary just as they grabbed 2,000 pounds a year in England.

There will be no more need to excel in skill and devotion to patients; there will be no more competitive effort for public favor. Payments by Government will be for quantity, not quality, of service. Yet, as a doctor in Nashville said recently, "Socialism is the syphilis of medicine. It is easy to take but rots the body to death." Government medicine is sterile. It never invents or discovers new cures. It can but appropriate and try to take by force what the individual alone can give as a voluntary free servant of the people. He alone can have the heart of sacrifice and devotion and love of service. Without freedom in medicine, the art of healing itself disappears.

### *Minimum Wages and Hours*

The very devil himself devises humanitarian slogans, we must admit,

such as the minimum wage law, for example. In this manner, the socialists hope to fool the people into thinking that goodness will come faster by compulsion of the Government than by the community spirit of free men. All socialist compulsions are made to sound humanitarian. Its practical purpose, however, is always the same, viz: to rob or exploit one group to benefit another that has more votes. The Lesinski bill now before Congress proposes to make all employers engaged in interstate commerce pay the apprentice, the slow worker, the handicapped, the aged, the part-time worker, even the baby sitter, at least 75 cents an hour for 40 hours a week and \$1.12½ for overtime.

This demagoguery disregards whether anybody can or will pay that or whether the worker can produce such value. The right to work itself is denied if the worker cannot induce somebody to pay the legal rate; otherwise, he must go on relief. He dare not take even 73 cents an hour. The bill in effect is a compulsory unemployment bill. It is planned economy. It is socialism in any country, including America.

### *Federal Control of Education*

In planning a Marxist America, our Government socialists do not overlook the teachers and school personnel of America. There are a million of them. It is proposed to offer hundreds of millions of dollars for their allegiance to the party that makes the appropriation. If education is socialized by appropriations, influence, supervision, or control, then national elections shall go to the party promising to make the highest appropriations. With the control of the minds of our children centered in Washington, the last act in the tragedy of lost freedom will be over. God must be thrown out of education. Instead, the goodness of the pagan state will be taught in exchange for the favors it bestows. Private education in free schools ceases for sheer lack of funds.

### *Socialism — American Variety*

The American people have deceived themselves far too long into thinking of our variety of socialism, just because it is ours, as being different from the Marxist slave state throughout the rest of the world. The fact is that our present Government trend is identical in principle to other central governments which manage their people and

their people's property. But for its slower and more hesitant tempo, it is like the English nationalization and the French Popular Front. We simply have socialism, American variety, stealing from some citizens and corrupting the rest of the citizens with the proceeds derived from the first group. We are at about the halfway stop on the road to total socialism such as Italian fascism, German nazism, and Soviet communism. The Western Powers are not yet as rough and tough and cruel in the administration of the same socialism, *viz.* we do not yet torture or murder.

Thank God, here and there throughout our land there is a growing anxiety about the survival of our constitutional Government and a new appreciation of it that comes only from a real danger of losing it.

Our acceptance of socialism may have been caused, so far, by ignorance and unwitting apathy. This does not change the awful fact that the socialist cancer has already spread widely in our political body. The only cure is a rebirth of the free spirit of men and women. It is like the free elements of light, heat, rain, and soil. Freedom is explosive energy, much more explosive than atomic energy. It is the precious possession of our American society. It must be our first concern, for on it society is wholly dependent

for the very pressing essentials of food, shelter, and the opportunity for the good life. This question is that practical. Yet this creative and explosive substance that we call the free mind and spirit is so delicate that it cannot be managed, controlled, or made the subject of compulsion by other mere men. Under compulsion it dries up, and scarcity, even famine, follows. It has been so in the history of man since the beginning of time.

Our forefathers knew this. So they made the whole concern of our Constitution that of maintaining, protecting and extolling the life, liberty, property and pursuit of happiness of individuals. That was the central function of our Government, which was instituted in the very beginning for that purpose. History proved them right: The American way became a gospel to the peoples of all the earth for a hundred years.

### *The Challenge*

Shall we extend further our brief interlude of American liberty, suspended as it has been between ages of darkness gone by and the age of darkness that threatens to follow us all?

That is the challenge of our moral decision. We dare not drift into the darkness of the Marxist atheist state god, his commissars and his tyranny. Instead, we must man the political

trenches and the platforms which are the election districts throughout the land. In each district we must have captains of 10 and their auxiliary forces. Already our enemies are organized in the field literally with their captains of 10 in every industrial area. Just now they are winning the battle through lack of opposition.

We can win the freedom battle decisively. Vast unused forces and manpower wait to be enlisted and organized. There are 3,500,000 little-business men. There are 7,000,000 little-property owners being hurt and liquidated. There are farmers and laborers hurt by monopolistic pressures and restrictions. They want freedom and the right to work for themselves. There are millions of retailers, wholesalers, commission men, doctors, nurses, druggists, teachers, and preachers, all ready to fight for liberty again, if led by men who have convictions that burn in their hearts for the right as against the wrong. Liberty waits once more for volunteers like you, serving as the volunteer leaders and organizers of an American-freedom movement. Then socialism, even our own variety, shall be utterly destroyed, every root and branch of it. At the same time the victory over world sovietism will be won in this battle now drawn up right here on our own American soil. God give us strength to win that battle.

## OMENS OF THE AGE

### *A PROPHETIC GUIDE TO THE TIMES IN WHICH WE LIVE*

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# Economic Desolation

By WILLIAM O. LAY, JR.

THE TASK OF achieving economic stability after World War II was formidable from the start. With its wealth drained, much of its productive capacity in ruins and prewar channels of trade disrupted, Europe faced complexities which would have been well-nigh insuperable under the best of conditions. The Russian policy of fostering political expansion through planned chaos made any solution impossible.

When it became evident that "cold war" was the Russian policy, the Western democracies undertook to bolster European economy and erect a bulwark of prosperous states against the encroachments of Soviet Communism. The Truman program for aid to Greece and Turkey was followed by the Marshall Plan for European recovery. Meanwhile, the nations of Western Europe in conference sought means of expediting economic rehabilitation.

American financial assistance sent abroad under these various programs staved off the collapse of European economy. But the length of the respite thus purchased was entirely dependent upon the continued strength and prosperity of the United States. Once the underpinning gave way, collapse of the whole structure was inevitable.

Two years ago (DESTINY for September 1947) these articles quoted a statement by former president Herbert Hoover which underscored the necessity of preserving American solvency. The statement read in part:

"Unless this one Gibraltar of economic strength is maintained, chaos will be inevitable over the whole world."

The Truman administration hastened the day of reckoning by continuing New Deal policies of punitive taxation and bureaucratic extravagance. Now the reaction has set in, and immediately portents of a grim economic upheaval are evident on every hand. Great Britain is in dire financial straits, while the currencies of all European nations save Switzerland are in perilously "soft" condition. Meanwhile, President Truman has committed the United States to deficit financing and

embarked upon a program to combat regional unemployment.

The chart this month sets the economic developments of the four-week period into the context of a sweeping pattern which enfolds highlight dates of the economic cold war and in some cases connects back to World War I. An important initial date of the sequence is August 18, 1945 when President Truman, through his Reconversion Directive, turned the nation back toward peacetime economy. The pattern spotlights a series of dates extending from April 10, 1950 to May 2, 1950.

Note particularly the frequent recurrences of three time-measures on the chart — 286, 666 and 1040. The first is the Great Pyramid's Displacement Factor, the "measure of human error"; the second is the number which marks human procedures in opposition to Divine; the third is the period in which plans and policies come to "perfection." The chart shows the marvelous precision with which these cycles map the various moves as men struggle to mend an economic system upon which rests the Divine sentence of doom.

"And great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath." (Rev. 16: 19.)

"Great Babylon," of course, comprises politico-military, economic and ecclesiastical phases. It is the second phase which is now coming to judgment.

For some time economic moves had been predominant in the struggle for control of Germany. A dispute over currency led to the imposition of the Berlin blockade which forced the Western powers to supply their sectors of the former German capital by airlift. Note from the upper half of the chart that the Berlin "currency war" began precisely 1040 days after the Truman Reconversion Directive of August 18, 1945. It was on June 23, 1948 that the Soviets proclaimed new currency for Berlin and the Soviet Zone. The Western powers voided the Soviet decree and ordered use of Western German

money in their three zones of Berlin.

On January 18, 1949 the Western powers imposed a counter-blockade which deprived the Soviet Berlin sector of vitally-needed products and machinery. As a result of this move the Russians sought means of escaping the economic straitjacket which they themselves had imposed upon the city. A Four-Power communique issued on May 5, 1949 announced the end of the blockade.

But a rail blockade of Berlin was in effect re-established on May 21 when German workers struck to force payment of wages in Western currency rather than Soviet Eastmarks. Note that the underlying factor was *economic*. When all efforts to negotiate a settlement failed, the Western powers on June 25 ordered the strikers to work or forfeit unemployment compensation. As shown at the bottom of the chart, the date fell 1040 days after the August 20, 1946 Yugoslav crisis and 420 days solar before August 25, 1950. The latter date will be 9 x 1290 days after the November 11, 1918 Armistice.

Before proceeding, note the underlying pattern of the center section of the chart. First there is the remarkable 666-day pattern extending from August 18, 1945. The lunar terminal brought the Harvard address at which Secretary of State Marshall outlined his European Recovery Program. The June 15, 1947 mean terminal brought the statement by former president Hoover to which reference has already been made. Finally, on the third day made perfect of the solar terminal, the Paris conference opened at which Great Britain and France offered Russia its final opportunity to join in a program of European recovery.

From June 5, 1947 (the Marshall address) a 1040-day period terminates on April 10, 1950, while the solar measurement of the same period extends to April 25, 1950. A period of 1040 days from June 27, 1947 ends on May 2, 1950. All three of these 1950 dates are closely related to events of the charted June-July 1949 period.

President Truman on June 24 asked

Congress to appropriate 45 million dollars for launching his "Point Four" program aimed at building up the economies of underdeveloped nations in Africa, Asia and Latin America. As a long-range program the Truman proposals could have beneficial results, but undertaken at this critical time, they merely add another element of uncertainty to the economic outlook. Note from the center of the chart that the Truman request came 286 days solar before April 10, 1950.

Great Britain moved to combat its ominous dollar crisis by calling a parley of the Empire's financial experts. This was on June 28 — 286 days before April 10, 1950 (center of chart).

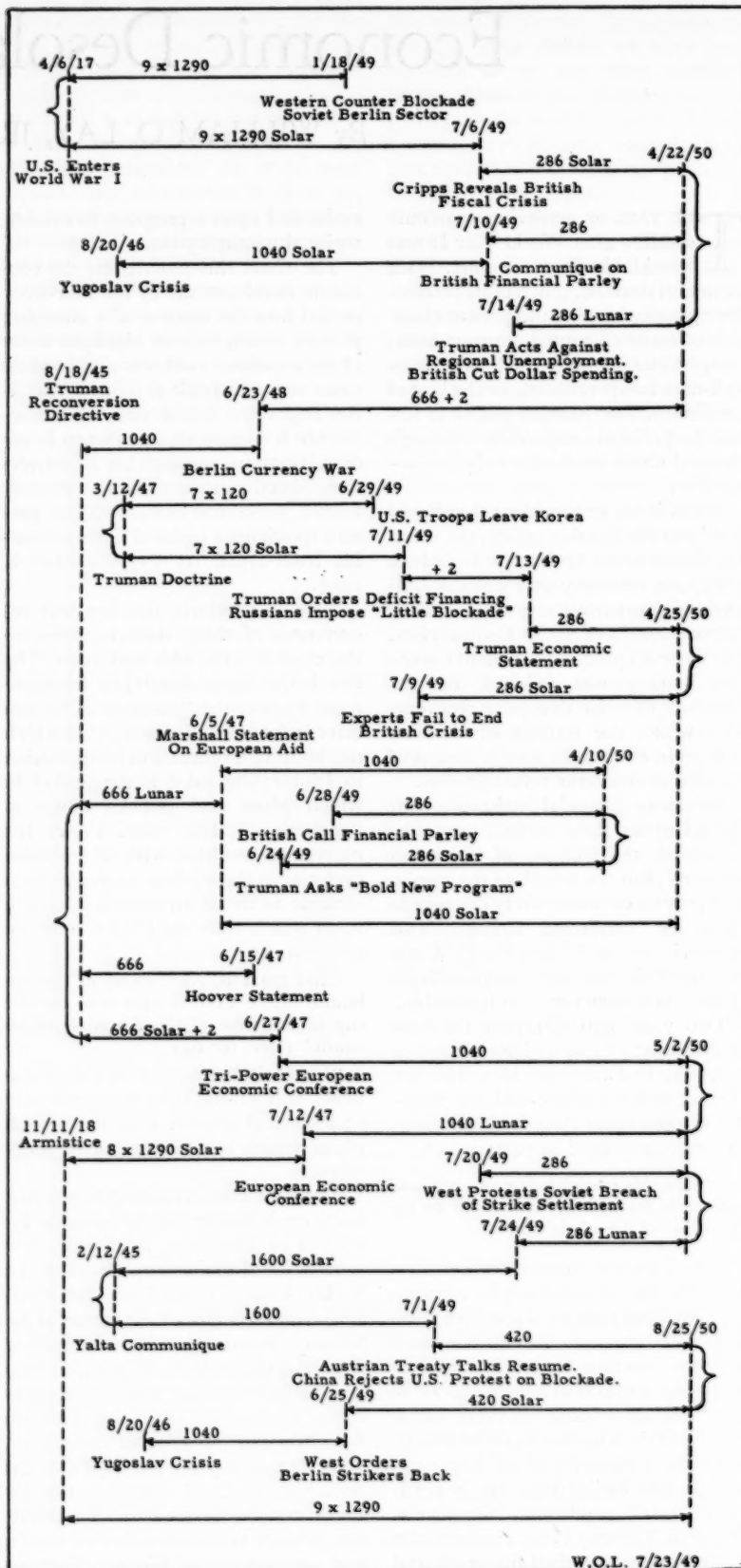
The full gravity of Britain's financial plight was revealed on July 6 when Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, appeared before the House of Commons to outline the Government's plan of recovery. Imports from the United States were to be curtailed to barest minimum, while austerity-ridden Britons were asked to work harder and more efficiently without higher pay.

The grim statement of Sir Stafford Cripps came precisely  $9 \times 1290$  days solar after the United States entered World War I on April 6, 1917. The mean date of this  $9 \times 1290$  cycle brought the Western counter-blockade of Berlin — an economic move in the cold war — and now on the cycle's solar terminal the news sets in yet sharper focus the pattern of economic desolation. As indicated at the top of the chart, July 6 was also 286 days solar before the April 22, 1950 date which will fall 666 plus two days after the Berlin currency war opened on June 23, 1948.

Financial experts of the British Empire ended their two scheduled days of conferences on July 9 without finding any solution to the crisis. The date fell 286 days solar before April 25, 1950 (center of chart).

The formal communique from the British parley was issued on July 10 after the experts conferred with British Prime Minister Attlee. The experts agreed that Britain's difficulties were due to "deep-seated maladjustments" and could be solved only by fundamental long-term measures. As noted at the top of the chart, July 10 was both 286 days before April 22, 1950 and 1040 days solar after the August 20, 1946 Yugoslav crisis.

In the United States the trend of



events had become so clear that on July 11 President Truman junked his anti-inflation program and ordered the Treasury to embark on deficit financing to end the economic recession. Thus, Mr. Truman committed the United States to a policy which can only lead to disaster if long continued. The fateful step was taken 7 x 120 days solar after March 12, 1947 and also 286 plus two days before April 25, 1950 (center of chart). Note particularly the significance of the "perfected warning" cycle extending from March 12, 1947. President Truman on that date affirmed American determination to contain the spread of Communism, but the weakened fiscal position to which Mr. Truman's policies are leading will make attainment of that goal difficult if not impossible.

On July 13 President Truman delivered an economic report to the nation. Admitting that a downward trend existed, the President said it was necessary for the government to prime the economic pump with money for soil conservation and other public works. He called upon business to work toward higher production and employment. As noted, the date fell 7 x 120 days solar plus two after March 12, 1947 and 286 days before April 25, 1950.

President Truman next acted to combat regional unemployment by ordering a government group to channel federal procurement and construction purchases into areas hardest hit by the slump. This move came 286 days lunar before April 22, 1950 (top of chart).

On the same July 14 date, Great Britain cut her dollar spending by one-fourth in order to conserve dwindling financial reserves.

In Germany trains had operated to and from Berlin following settlement of the rail strike. But the Soviets began imposing harassing restrictions on truck traffic. On July 11 they stopped all truck traffic from Helmstedt, thereby putting Berlin under a new "little blockade." This was on the date which marked the solar terminal of 7 x 120 days after March 12, 1947 (upper center of chart).

Truck traffic to Berlin resumed when the Soviets ended their "little blockade" on July 14. But a new source of discord arose on July 20 when authorities of the three Western powers protested that the Soviet was not complying with terms of the agreement

under which the German rail strike ended. The date was 286 days before May 2, 1950 (lower section of chart).

Note from the chart that May 2, 1950 connects both to the Three-Power Economic Conference of June 27, 1947 and to the Economic Conference of Western European Nations which opened on July 12, 1947. The latter date marked the solar terminal of 8 x 1290 days after November 11, 1918.

The Chinese war remained quiescent until mid-July when Communist armies resumed their southward drive against Canton. Previously the Nationalist Government had proclaimed a blockade of all Communist-held ports in northern China. The United States refused to recognize this, contending that the Nationalists were unable to maintain a blockade. On July 1 the State Department in Washington revealed that the Chinese Nationalist Government had curtly rejected the United States protest. The date was 1600 days after the Yalta Conference communique issued on February 12, 1945 (bottom of chart).

On the same July 1 date the Big Four Deputy Foreign Ministers resumed deliberations in London and immediately became snarled over details of the Austrian peace treaty.

If 1600 days is measured from the close of the Yalta Conference on February 11, 1945 instead of the communique date of February 12, the terminal date will be June 30, 1949. On this date the Chinese Communist leader, Mao-Tse-tung, issued a statement declaring that Red China "definitely belongs to the anti-reactionary front headed by Soviet Russia." This effectively ended hopes held in certain over-optimistic Western quarters that the Chinese Reds were not true puppets of Moscow. Coming on this 1600 terminal, it re-emphasizes the bitter consequences of Yalta where Russian participation in the Far Eastern war was won at the cost of allowing her to usurp Manchurian territory belonging to China.

One other development affecting Far Eastern stability came on June 29 when United States military forces evacuated South Korea. Already involved in border clashes with Soviet-controlled forces from North Korea, the weak South Korean Republic will be hard put to maintain independence even with American economic aid. And any aid granted South Korea now could easily end up in Communist

hands, just as large amounts of material given the Chinese Nationalists was captured by Chinese Communist armies.

As noted at the upper center of the chart, June 29 fell 7 x 120 days after proclamation of the Truman Doctrine on March 12, 1947. The "warning" cycle indicates that the evacuation of Korea may well be a backward step in the battle to contain Communism.

Palestine was also quiescent during this period. A state of armistice between the Jews and all Arab states involved in the Holy Land warfare was reached on July 8 when a Syrian-Israeli armistice was announced. The date (not charted) fell precisely 420 days after the Jewish State was proclaimed on May 14, 1948.

Decision of the British to postpone long-range planning until the September meeting of the International Monetary Fund means a short respite before the nations commit themselves to conclusive action against the crisis. But in the meantime the world economic situation will further deteriorate, thus making any solution more difficult.

The gravity of the economic picture is gradually being brought home to the public. Thus, Mr. Walter Lippmann writes:

"There is no likelihood . . . that we shall be able to ride out this crisis cheaply and easily. All the choices abroad and at home are painful. . . . The risks which have to be chosen deliberately and very soon are inordinately difficult to calculate."

But the public does not yet know that all measures undertaken to repair the present world economic system will prove futile. The nations are witnessing the opening phases of final judgment upon economic Babylon.

"For her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up even to the skies." (Jer. 51: 9.)

The developing economic debacle will have incalculable effects upon the world situation. It will influence the strategy of the Kremlin leaders; it will beset the anti-Communist nations with difficulties beyond anything they had foreseen or planned against. But the very fact that the economic crisis is crowding to the forefront at this time proves that the Divine timetable is in full operation. Judgment was decreed upon the world economic system; judgment is falling upon it.

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# Along the Highway of Prophecy

By HOWARD B. RAND

## PART I

A PROPER EVALUATION of the various utterances of the prophets of the Bible, from the standpoint of the people addressed and the chronology of the predictions, is essential to an understanding of all prophecy. However, in addition to this, it is even more necessary to place predicted events in their right relationship one with another. Only thus will it be possible to comprehend the full length and breadth of the highway of prophecy in all its grandeur. No matter how well we think we may understand each predicted scene by itself, unless we can place that scene in its proper setting, we will be unable to grasp its full significance in its relationship to the Divine timetable giving the order of coming events. One prophetic scene out of place can make utterly confusing and unintelligible what would otherwise be the orderly progress of unfolding revelation.

This principle is well illustrated in the making of a moving picture in which scenes are taken at different times and places and not in the order in which they are to appear in the completed story. Before the film is ready for a showing, the many scenes must be cut into the story in the proper places, for in this way alone will they present an uninterrupted panorama of the entire narrative. There would be nothing but confusion and misunderstanding if the scenes were out of order; the plot would be marred and the story ruined.

### *Prewritten History*

Studying the utterances of the prophets, we find that each one recorded certain prophetic scenes, some a number of such scenes, and we discover also that they are not necessarily given in the exact order in which they are to appear when this prewriting of history becomes prophecy fulfilled. It is most important to understand this, for unless one is able to place each scene in its proper setting, the signposts along the highway of prophecy become meaningless, the

prophetic mileage chart inaccurate and the time of arrival at the expected destination impossible to ascertain. Under such conditions the study of prophecy can be very misleading, which perhaps is one reason why the Christian Church and its leaders have for many years neglected its study.

There are, of course, many clues in the Scriptures which indicate clearly how the different prophetic scenes are to be put together in presenting the complete panorama of the prophetic highway lying before us. However, it is only through painstaking research and study of the text and context that we can hope to be able to properly visualize the exact position each scene occupies in the over-all picture. When one is able to do this, the result is a marvelous unfolding of the prophetic events which are destined to transpire as we move along the highway of time.

A contributing factor that has caused a great deal of misunderstanding in the past is the assumption that the events recorded in chapter after chapter, as they follow one another in the writings of the prophets, are in the sequence in which fulfillment will come. This is a completely false assumption in many, many cases. For example, often a prophet will deal with a certain subject and will follow it through to its climax as it is to affect the person, the people, the place, the nation or the kingdom of which he is speaking. Following this he may commence a new discussion of events, the beginning of which may antedate by many years the concluding remarks in the previous chapter.

### *Revealing and Concealing*

We are frequently asked why God has made the understanding of prophecy so difficult? Actually, the prophecies are not unsolvable conundrums, although hidden, it is true. For while God does reveal coming events through His prophets, at the same time He conceals His plans and purposes from the unbelieving and the merely curious. The worldly-wise and the skeptical do

not receive an understanding heart from the Lord. Because they have rejected Him, the marvelous wonders of His revealed purposes are concealed from them. Thus, those who are wise in their own conceits are ever trying to learn but are never able to come to a knowledge of the truth. But God is continually revealing the wonders of prophecy and its fulfillment to those who are guided by His Holy Spirit and come to His word believing that it is true. It is not an easy task to truly search the Scriptures, for it means hours spent in concentration and study. The results, however, of persistent research in the Bible are wholly satisfying for:

"It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter." (Prov. 25: 2.)

Ferrar Fenton translates this:

"Tis the honour of God to conceal an event, But the honour of Kings to search out."

It is as impossible for those who approach the Bible in the spirit of skepticism to arrive at an understanding of its truths as it is impossible for the heart of a fool to proclaim wisdom. The very dictum of the skeptics dooms any possibility on their part to acquire wisdom and knowledge from the Scriptures. The following paragraph is the critics' own appraisal of their approach to the Bible and is sufficient to demonstrate why they are unable to arrive at a true understanding of its teachings:

"Instead of following the old method of first accepting the authority of the Scriptures as divine, and then proceeding to consider its contents, the very opposite is the procedure to follow. First, examine its contents and then see how much of it commends itself to one's intelligence, with the result that you will then learn to laugh at Balaam's ass and Samson's locks and ridicule the supernatural."

### *A Challenge*

As the fool hath said in his heart, "There is no God," so these skeptics

challenge God's authority and power with the expectation of circumscribing both within the very narrow limits of their finite reasoning. Because of their unbelief, the secrets of the Lord are hidden from them and their wisdom is foolishness for they lack the one completely essential element:

"Without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." (Heb. 11: 6.)

This is a challenge to those who wish to understand God and His purposes to diligently apply themselves to a study of His Word, believing it to be the Word of God written, knowing also that through His Holy Spirit understanding will be given to those who earnestly seek knowledge. Nevertheless, to "diligently seek him" involves the necessity to obey His laws and abide by His will. Amos the Prophet declares:

"Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets." (Amos 3: 7.)

Ferrar Fenton renders this:

"However the Mighty Lord will not produce an event without disclosing His intention to His servants the prophets."

### ***Belief Essential***

His intentions have already been revealed to His servants the prophets and today, through their writings, we are privileged to acquire advance information regarding events to come, providing we study His Word in the spirit of prayer and faith. Let us in this spirit, then, approach the study of Ezekiel's most important seven chapters which deal with the scenes that will bring the present age to its close. In these chapters the Prophet details events as they will transpire along the final course of the highway of prophecy. Remember that it is necessary to our understanding to carefully place each scene in its proper order in relation to the closing scenes of this great drama of the ages. Only when this is done will we discover the timing and the order of events as we move towards the grand climax.

### ***Important Seven Chapters***

Commencing with the 33rd chapter, and continuing on through to the end of the 39th chapter of his book, Ezekiel's documents prophetically address

messages to the "watchmen" and the "shepherds" in Israel. Afterward he addresses Israel herself and her enemies and also directs messages to the Land of Palestine. There are a number of scenes depicting the events in which those addressed are the actors. The Prophet deals fully with each group (watchmen, shepherds, Israel and her enemies), giving his message right through to its climax in triumph or judgment as it is to affect them, leaving it to the Bible student to properly arrange the scenes in the chronological order in which they will see fulfillment.

These chapters contain detailed accounts of events transpiring upon earth during the years of the consummation of the age, especially as these events affect the House of Israel. During this time the enemies of Israel are preparing for the day when they will be able to suddenly move against His people in their desire to annihilate them. Because of this potential danger, the word of the Lord came to Ezekiel instructing him first concerning the watchmen whom the Lord had placed over the House of Israel so that they might be warned of the coming of the sword. The responsibility that rests upon each watchman to warn of the coming conflict is stated thus:

"But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand." (Ez. 33: 6.)

### ***The Watchmen***

Who are these watchmen in Israel today? They are all those who understand the Gospel of the Kingdom and are aware of the identity of the people of the Kingdom. They are therefore in a position to recognize the enemies of the Kingdom of God. Ezekiel himself is a type of these watchmen and it is to them that the Lord, through Ezekiel, is speaking when He says:

"I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me." (Ez. 33: 7.)

Today we have heard the word of the Lord from the mouth of His prophets and, having received the "Thus saith the Lord," we are duty bound to do everything in our power to warn the House of Israel of the need of turn-

ing from their national sins. The instruction to the watchman is:

"Speak unto the house of Israel. . . . Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?" (Ez. 33: 10-11.)

This is a call to national repentance and the restoration of the administration of the Law of the Lord. If, as watchmen in Israel, we fail to warn the people of the need of observing the commandments, statutes and judgments of the Lord, we shall be held guilty for negligence in our duty. But the warning is not national alone; it extends to individuals as well and the promise is:

"If the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby." (Ez. 33: 19.)

### ***Duties of the Watchman***

As watchmen we have a threefold duty to perform: *1st*) Warn of the coming of the sword as the enemies of the House of Israel prepare for the day when they may war against them. These enemies are both within and without our borders and, if we hold our peace and fail to warn of the danger from within and without, we are under condemnation. *2nd*) A call must be issued to the House of Israel concerning the need of a national awakening to righteousness and the restoration of the administration of the Law of the Lord as the law of the land. *3rd*) The call must also go out to individuals, calling upon them to repent and walk in the ways of righteousness so that they may live in His sight.

### ***Period of Silence***

Ezekiel stands as a type of the watchmen placed over the House of Israel, so let us pause here a moment and note the Prophet's prophetic relationship with the House of Israel before and after their long seven times (2,520 years) of punishment for their national sins. When Ezekiel was first sent to the House of Israel, God informed him that they would not listen to him (Ez. 3: 7) and at that time the Prophet was told:

"I will make your tongue cleave to your palate, till you cannot talk or censure them (for they are a rebellious folk). But when I talk to you, I will open your mouth, and you must tell them what the Lord the Eter-

nal says, whether they listen or refuse to listen (for they are a rebellious folk). Ez. 3: 26-27, *Moffatt Trans.*)

Ezekiel the Prophet therefore became dumb at the beginning of the long period of 2,520 years, during which time the House of Israel was without the warning voice of a prophet among them to condemn their rebellious ways and evil doings. But, as the Lord promised, the day would come when the Prophet — through the watchmen — would again speak and address the House of Israel:

"In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a sign unto them: and they shall know that I am the Lord." (Ez. 24: 27.)

### *Silence Broken*

Prophetically the day in which he would be able to speak would come after the years of captivity had ended. Then the watchmen, of whom Ezekiel is a type, would address the House of Israel once more. It is, therefore, most interesting to note that, after the Lord gave instructions to Ezekiel concerning the message that the watchmen who had been established over the House of Israel were to give, the Prophet declares: "My mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb" (Ez. 33: 22).

### *Watchmen Speaking*

How truly this depicts the position of the watchmen in Israel today who are commissioned to declare the message of the Lord, for their mouths have now been opened as a result of the fulfillment of prophecy in these latter days. That this is the time when the Prophet, through the modern watchmen, would be no longer dumb is clear from the fact that Ezekiel shows that the land of Israel had become a desolation. The reason for that condition is stated to be because of all the abominations which the House of Israel had committed, for which they were punished.

Ezekiel was informed that when the time came for him to speak, he was to warn the House of Israel whether or not they would listen to him. Today the watchmen are speaking, but because they are not considered the accredited spiritual leaders in Israel (many are laymen not possessing theological degrees), few are giving heed to their warnings. The Lord declares through His Prophet that they will be

talked against and, though the mobs may listen to their words, they will not believe, nor will they practice what is required of them:

"With their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness. And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not." (Ez. 33: 31-32.)

### *Certainty of Judgment*

Here is a perfect prophetic appraisal of the reception the proclamation of the Gospel of the Kingdom is receiving from the greater majorities today. Few indeed give heed to the message and show a willingness to conform with the requirements. Often they listen only to be entertained, all the while refusing to accept, believe and act upon the truths being proclaimed. But, as witnesses, the watchmen must continue to proclaim the truth and sound an alarm regardless of the attitude of those to whom they are speaking. The certainty of the coming of the judgment which they are proclaiming is emphasized in the following statement:

"Yet when the hour comes — and it is coming — they shall realize that there was a prophet among them!" (Ez. 33: 33, *Moffatt Trans.*)

### *It Is Coming*

Note the past tense in relation to this realization? When the night comes and the warning period has ended, the watchmen will not longer be there.\* Men will then awaken to a full realization that the message they bore was truly of the Lord. Can it be that Ezekiel is referring to what is so clearly taught in the New Testament, that, preceding the crisis period, the Spirit-filled overcomers, or watchmen, will have entered the Marriage Supper of the Lamb? It will certainly dawn upon men from that day or hour and forward that the message the watchmen had been giving was true, for in the march of events their witness will be demonstrated to have been a faithful testimony. It is well also to note the emphasis on the certainty of the coming of that hour of which the watchmen are even now warning in the terse statement — "and it is coming" — perhaps thus emphasized because apparent delay was leading men

\* See "The Night Cometh," *DESTINY* for March 1949.

to discount the warnings as without foundation in fact and entirely superfluous. Many today are taking this very attitude toward the messages being given by the watchmen in Israel when they declare the inevitability of the coming of the sword, the need of an awakening to righteousness on the part of the nation as the Israel of God, and an awareness of their personal spiritual needs by individuals.

### *End of Witnessing*

From the time the watchmen are commissioned to blow the trumpet to sound an alarm so that the House of Israel may be aroused out of their spiritual lethargy, Ezekiel depicts events as they affect the watchmen until the crisis period is reached when the hour of judgment comes. This is the time of the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord and with the coming of this period the activities of the watchmen cease.

### *The Shepherds*

Turning from this scene, the Prophet is next told to address a message to the shepherds in Israel. Who are the shepherds? In Scriptural symbolism God calls the Israel peoples His "sheep." Therefore, the "shepherds" are those having charge of the "sheep" and in modern times they are the civil leaders authorized to administer national affairs and the spiritual leaders in charge of ecclesiastical activities in modern Israel.

During the same time that the watchmen are actively warning the House of Israel of coming dangers, the shepherds in Israel are failing to properly care for the sheep of His pasture. Because of the seriousness of this situation, and because the ecclesiastical and civil leaders in Israel are leading His people astray by their failure to protect them from evil aggression within and without, the word of the Lord came to Ezekiel saying:

"Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds [rulers] of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds: Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the flocks? Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock. The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but

with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them. And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: And they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered. My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none [these rulers] did search or seek after them." (Ez. 34: 2-6.)

### *Indictment of Leaders*

This is an indictment of the leaders for their negligence of duty, even to the point of complete indifference to the spiritual and economic welfare of God's people. It shows the rulers as interested only in their personal well-being, using their positions to contribute to their own comfort and personal gain. Those who are well fed; that is, those who know the truth, are shown as being destroyed by these evil men. Using the analogy of sheep and shepherds, the Prophet depicts a spirit of wanton indifference to the truth and to the spiritual and material welfare of the people, with graft and inefficiency flourishing in high places.

### *The Lost Sheep*

The sheep of His pasture being the House of Israel, it is most significant that the civil and ecclesiastical leaders are condemned for their refusal to look for those who were lost. This is the present attitude of church leaders, for not only do they refuse to search the records and weigh the evidence that identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples to be modern Israel, but they do everything in their power to oppose and destroy the watchmen and discount the witnessing God has assigned to them to do. The Prophet describes their attitude toward those whom they rebuff by saying, as translated by Ferrar Fenton, that they brutally kick and drive them away. The doors of churches have been closed to many because of their testimony to Kingdom truths. Civil authorities are equally condemned for they do not examine the information in this respect that has been brought to their attention. Thus, as stated by Ezekiel, these leaders in Israel refuse to receive those whom they have driven away.

### *Arrogant Assumption*

Not only has the attitude of the ecclesiastical leaders been arrogant to the extreme toward the watchmen charged with proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, but they have ap-

propriated to themselves superiority of scholarship, impressing upon others that they alone are able to give accurate instructions concerning the Bible and spiritual matters. Actually, as set forth in God's condemnation of these leaders through Ezekiel, they have driven His flock away from the words of Life by their subversive teachings which have undermined belief in the inspiration of the Scriptures.

Side by side with them have been the civil leaders who have also embraced and propagated subversive ideological concepts which have been incorporated into governmental policies and programs.

Referring to these conditions among His people, the Lord likens these leaders to shepherds who have caused the sheep of His pasture to stray over the hills and become the prey of wild beasts. Because this is so, Ezekiel proclaims God's judgment upon these men:

"Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them." (Ez. 34: 10.)

### *Accounting Required*

God is to demand an accounting from the ecclesiastical and civil rulers who have failed to properly look after His people. It would have been far better for them if they had not occupied places of authority over God's people than to have occupied those positions and fail to live up to the responsibilities resting upon their shoulders. The Lord will remove them from office and no longer will these leaders despoil His people, for He will deliver them from the greed and covetousness of such men in authority over them.

The Lord declares that He will not only deliver His flock from the hand of these evil men, but He will provide good pastures into which He will lead His flocks where they will graze in peace. Then the assurance is given:

"I myself will tend my flock, I will take them to their pasture," says the Lord the Eternal. "I will look for the lost, I will recover those who have been driven away, I will bandage the cripples, I will put strength into the sick, and I will guard the strong and prosperous, attending to them properly." (Ez. 34: 15-16, *Moffatt Trans.*)

### *Day of Restoration*

This is an interesting description of the coming day of restoration in the establishment of Kingdom rule in righteousness. To guard the strong and prosperous in that day is certainly in great contrast to the present policy of government expressed by those leaders who advocate "soaking the rich" and confiscating the property of the prosperous so that they may squander the substance of the people stolen through unjust taxation. The Lord continues:

"As for you, my flock," says the Lord the Eternal, "I will judge between the weak sheep and the rams and he goats. Is it not enough for you to graze on the good pasture? Must you trample over the rest of the pasture? Is it not enough for you to claim the clear water? Must you foul the rest of the water with your feet? Are my sheep to eat what you have trampled and to drink what you have fouled?" (Ez. 34: 17-19, *Moffatt Trans.*)

### *The He Goats*

One needs only to read the facts set forth in "The Crumbling Wall of Untempered Mortar," *DESTINY* for June 1949, and "The Light That Is Darkness," *DESTINY* for July 1949, to realize how just is this scathing denunciation of the spiritual leaders who have trampled the pastures of knowledge and fouled the waters of inspiration until, as stated by Ezekiel:

"You plump creatures, you have pushed the lean sheep away, with your sides and shoulders, butting at these feeble creatures with your horns till you have scattered them abroad!" (Ez. 34: 21, *Moffatt Trans.*)

The Lord declares He will take action to rescue His flock from the hands of those who have preyed upon them, for He will sit in judgment and mete out justice to the evildoers. The prospects are far from pleasant for the spiritual and civil leaders who are designated as "he-goats" among His flock.

The weak or lean sheep are those among God's people easily led and pushed about, for they do not resist the authority and dictums of the "he-goat leaders." These sheep of His pasture have been driven from the feeding troughs of truth by these arrogant rulers. They are scattered abroad and buffeted about by every type of doctrine and eventually succumb to all sorts of isms and idolatrous beliefs.

### *The Chief Ones*

In the 14th chapter of Isaiah there is an interesting reference in the ninth verse to certain "chief ones." This verse deals with hell itself, stating that it is stirred up and that there is a great increase in activity on the part of the evil spirits. Associated with these increased activities from the Bottomless Pit are those designated as "the chief ones of the earth." This is a most interesting statement for, as pointed out in *Study in Revelation*,\* it is from the Bottomless Pit that modernism has arisen (pages 135-138) and, according to human standards, the chief ones among our ecclesiastical leaders have succumbed to the whisperings of superiority of intellectualism to be given them if they would just accept the super-critical doctrines of evil spawned from the Abyss. The following explanation throws additional light on the meaning of the "he-goat leaders":

"The Hebrew word translated 'chief ones' (Isa. 14: 9) is *Attud* and means 'he-goat leaders.' It is the same word used by Ezekiel to designate evil leadership among God's people and those who have oppressed them, whom He will judge for their wickedness:

"As for you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats [*Attud*]. Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture. . . . Ye must foul the residue with your feet?" (Ez. 34: 17-18.)

"Here we also have reference to the leaders of the goat nations of Matthew 25 whom the Lord will judge at His coming. Who are these nations and their leaders who are stirred up today as the result of the fall of Babylon? First, we have the 'he-goat leaders' within the Israel lands, at Washington, in London and among the clergy, endeavoring to lead Israel astray, turning the nation away from their God-given laws and trying to substitute the injustice of socialization and regimentation for the justice and equity of the command-

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As always, those who see world events in the light of Sacred Prophecy may look ahead with confidence. All false human systems must be swept away before peace and true prosperity can be established through the acceptance and operation of the Divine code of laws. As surely as the foretold judgment comes, so shall the promised deliverance and restoration follow.

ments, statutes and judgments of the Lord." (*Study in Daniel*,\* pp. 412-413.)

### *A Covenant of Peace*

Continuing his denunciation of these leaders, Ezekiel declares that the ultimate end of it all is that God will remove these vile shepherds from having charge over His flock and His servant David will become their ruler and will feed and shepherd them. The reference to David is to David's greater Son, the Messiah, who is Jesus Christ our Lord, for it is He who will take over the Kingdom and shepherd His people. When He returns triumphantly, false and evil doctrines will be destroyed and peace will become the portion of the people of God. So God declares as a result of all this:

"And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land [all those who have preyed upon His people]: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness [pasture lands], and sleep in the woods." (Ez. 34: 25.)

Ezekiel then speaks of the showers of blessing to descend upon God's people, of abundant harvests from the land and the breaking of the yoke of bondage and slavery when His people are delivered out of the hands of their oppressors. When this comes to pass the Prophet states, "They shall know

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that I am the Lord." From that day and forward God's people will be disturbed no more by enemies, either within or without their borders, and there will be none to make them afraid. The promise is that that time their soil will be fertile and never again will they be consumed with hunger, for there will be plenty to eat for all:

"Thus shall they know that I the Lord their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord God. And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God." (Ez. 34: 30-31.)

### *Timing of Events*

But before these peaceful, prosperous times arrive, particularly before the knowledge of their identity as the House of Israel is commonly acknowledged by all of God's people, Gog of the land of Magog is to meet overwhelming defeat and the triumphant return of our Lord Jesus Christ is to have become an actuality. This is clear from the fact that Ezekiel informs us the House of Israel does not awaken to the knowledge of who they are and become aware of the fact that Jehovah, the God of Israel, is their God until after Gog's final defeat in the Battle of that Great Day of God Almighty (Ez. 39: 22).

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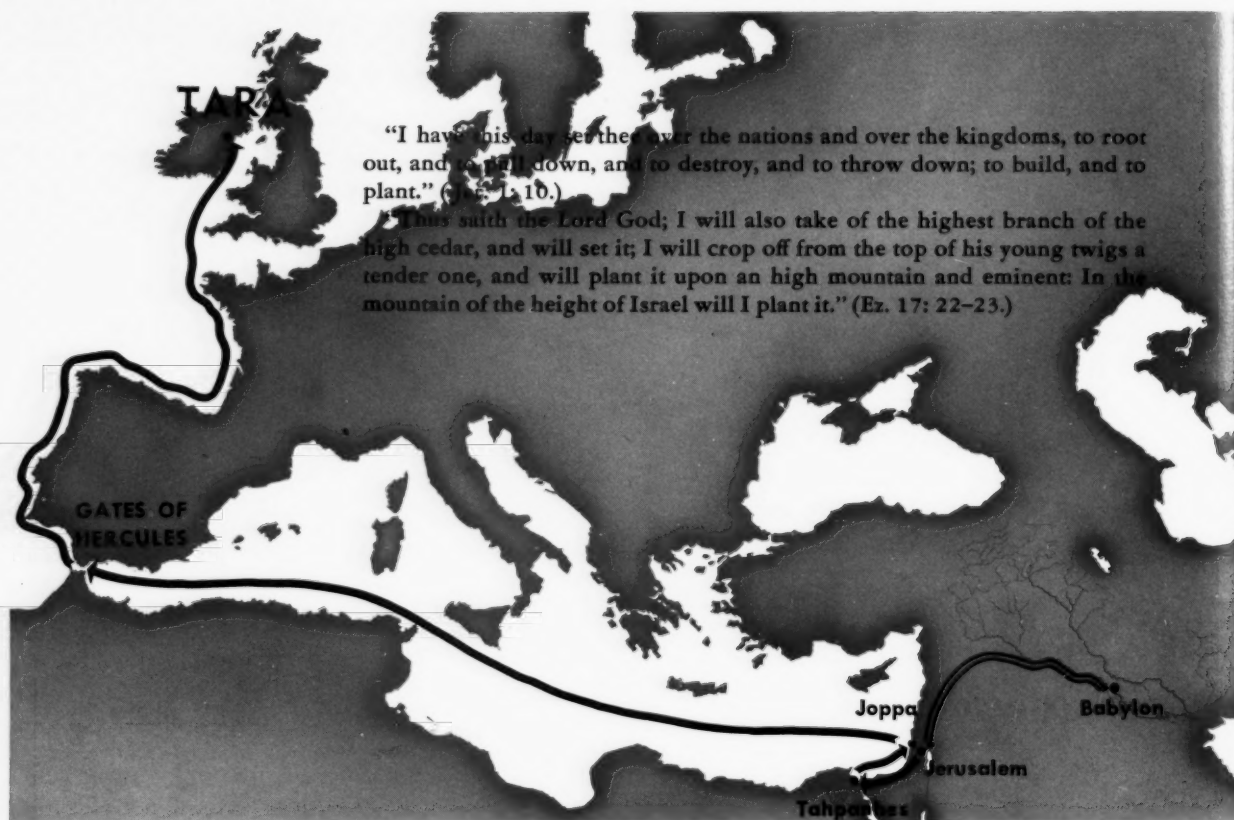
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